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Hamilton student struck by car on College Hill Road

By Eric S. Ritvo
MANAGING EDITOR

Late Thursday night, Jessica Shalom '96, was struck by an automobile on College Hill Road. The accident occurred across from the Bristol Campus Center, according to Kirkland Police Officer Charles Kriz.

At 7:50 p.m., as the vehicle was driving uphill at about 30 m.p.h., the car's right sideview mirror struck Shalom. According to Kriz, Shalom was walking on the right shoulder of the road, with traffic, dressed in dark clothing on an unlit part of the street. Alcohol was not a factor in the accident.

The driver of the vehicle was Correne Durant of Deansboro. She and her passenger, Robert Lewis of Oriskany Falls, were driving up the hill to pick up an unidentified individual. Durant was not issued a ticket for the accident . Officer Kriz explained why no ticket was issued saying, "[Shalom] was walking in the road wearing dark clothing and there wereno street lights. It is not the vehicle's fault. At the very least, she should have been walking into traffic. Basically, it is no one's fault, it just happened."

At the same time, Hamilton College E.M.T.s, the Clinton Fire Department, and Central Oneida County Ambulance Core (COVAC) were called to the scene of the accident. According to Paul Perry, head of the Hamilton College E.M.T.'s, Shalom was given precautionary treatment for her spine. Perry stated, "Everything we did was precautionary. She didn't have any major injuries. [What we did] was precautionary for the spine, and we placed her on the backboard for the ambulance ride." Another concern was the snow as Perry added, "One immediate concern was trying to get her off the cold snow. At this time [of year], hypothermia is a factor." After this treatment, Shalom was taken immediately to St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Utica by COVAC, where she was admitted at approximately 8:30 p.m.

According to Officer Kriz, the extent of Shalom's injuries were as follows: a chipped tooth, pain in the right shoulder, pain in her legs, and numerous cuts and lacerations. Trevor Nardini '94, Shalom's suite mate accompanied her to the hospital and elaborated on her injuries. He said, "She has a scrape on the right side of her forehead, a scraped right hand and her right shoulder is bruised." Nardini continued, "She's exceptionally lucky, she could have been killed." At press time, Kriz and Nardini stated that Shalom was going in for a CAT scan and Nardini reported that she was due to be released at 11:30 p.m.

Laura McTighe, Area Coordinator of the South Side of campus, went to the hospital as a function of her duties. According to McTighe, "There's always someone on duty from the Division of Student Life for situations like this. When someone is taken to the hospital, we are always concerned and we'll go down and check." Shalom was accompanied to the hospital by many friends.

Among the friends who accompanied Shalom to the hospital was Emily Valle '96. She reported, "As far as we've been told, [Shalom's] conscious and sleeping. We were not told about the injuries." Both Shalom and Valle are members of the Gamma Xi sorority and Valle stated on behalf of the society, "We are all extremely concerned."

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Wish list for residence hall improvements prepared

BY MOLLY R. SOULE '97
STAFF WRITER

In an effort to improve residence halls and the quality of life on campus, the Hamilton College Board of Trustees has requested the input of Resident Advisors and students. The Trustees recently stated their intention to conduct a feasibility study of how to improve residential life on campus. The study will draw upon a "wish list" of suggested residence hall improvements submitted by R.A.'s and students and the Residential Life Survey conducted last semester.

This wish list will be presented to the Trustees in March. Physical Plant's input and involvement in the project is vital along with that of students. Additional input will come from the Resident Advisors who have combined to build a bank of ideas, suggestions and creative concepts.

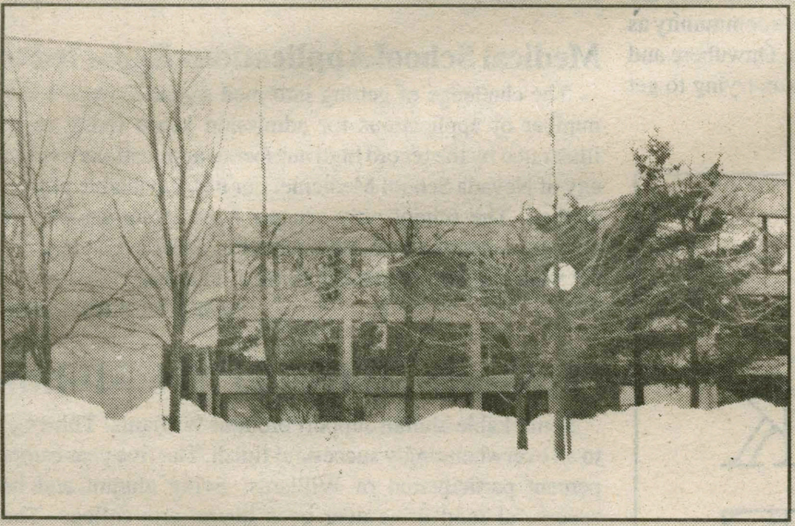

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE HEDGES

R.A.'s suggestions will ultimately be incorporated in the remodeling of Babbitt Residence Hall

A major incentive behind the project is to make Hamilton more appealing to prospective students who are the primary targets of this undertaking. Another motivation for the project is to improve the overall aesthetics of the residence halls. Ultimately, the appearance of the buildings, will help draw incoming first-years and further distinguish Hamilton from other colleges. The living arrangements for prospective students are a major factor in their choice of colleges.

Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed, enthusiastically expressed her hopes for the outcome of the project. The opportunity to dramatically improve the quality of residential life is rare, she said. Reed stressed the excitement of doing this type of evaluation in which Hamilton has the opportunity to look at and reevaluate facilities and their daily use.

The wish list submitted by R.A.'s and students aims to encompass all aspects and angles involved in upgrading facilities. The spectrum of improvements will range from large, extremely general improvements to small scale refinements. In North and Kirkland residence halls for example, the list includes items such as installing carpeting in the hallways, new windows, bookshelves in each room, and replacement of refrigerators in the lounge areas. In addition, both the lounge areas and basements will be refurbished. Areas designed for study will also be expanded and

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Number of students transferring from Hamilton on the rise

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
NEWS EDITOR

A recent trend in the number of students transferring from Hamilton College has prompted concern among many top administrators. At the end of the Spring Semester last year, 31 students voluntarily separated themselves from Hamilton in order to attend other colleges and universities. This figure is more than double the number of transfering students from other recent years. An additional 13 students chose to take a leave of absence at the end of the Spring Semester. This number was slightly less than in recent years.

According to Associate Dean of Students Rob Hopkins, there is no clear reason for the increased number of departing students this year. In exit interviews, the two most commonly cited reasons by students for leaving are discontent with the social life at Hamilton and a desire for a change in environment. Some students, said Hopkins, feel isolated in Hamilton's rural setting.

President Gene Tobin suggested that the nation's economy, which has only recently begun to improve, may have been a contributing factor in students' decisions to leave Hamilton during the past year. Many of them have left to enroll in public universities that charge smaller tuitions.

Speaking of ways to decrease transfers from Hamilton in the future, Tobin said, "My goal is to ensure that once students arrive [at Hamilton], they feel comfortable." Tobin stressed that those who transfer from Hamilton come from all ranks of their classes. Academic status has not been an indicator of who will transfer.

"The change in the alcohol policy may have had a negative influence in that the importance of private societies became greater," Hopkins suggested as a possible reason for the number of departing students. He added that preliminary results due next month from the Residential Life Survey conducted last semester may offer some insights into the number of departing students.

"[Students who leave Hamilton]

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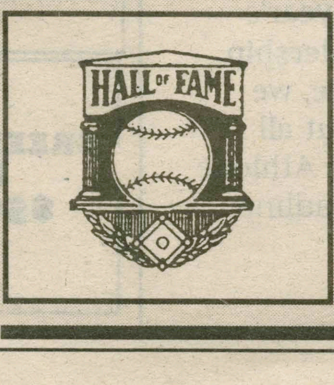

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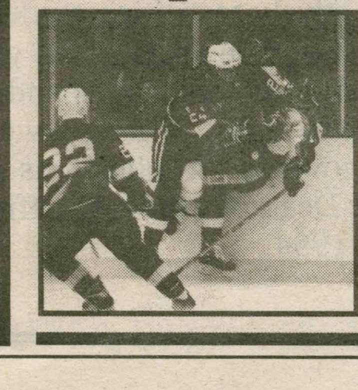

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New changes for the Student Assembly

Onwubere and Russell take charge

By Bari Altberg '97
News Staff Writer

As students have become accustomed to their second semester classes and professors, McLloyd Onwubere '95 and Bill Russell '95 are just getting warmed up in their new positions on the Student Assembly. Both President Onwubere and Vice President Russell are excited about the new changes taking place in the organization. Through Onwubere's and Russells's five new ideas, they plan to get more students involved and make the Student Assembly more prominent.

The five ideas developed by Onwubere and Russel were formed on the basis of criticisms and observations from both members of the Student Assembly and other students. Each idea is intended to make the Student Assembly more efficient and reliable for the rest of the student body. The first proposal is to create a Corresponding Secretary/Public Relations Committee that is responsible for creating publicity, the key to keeping the student body involved in what is going on and informed of the ideas and the goals of the Student Assembly.

A newsletter that comes out monthly will address current issues. In addition, the committee is responsible for assisting and helping to publicize all student organizations. In essence, this committee acts as the informer to the rest of the community about the goals of the Student Assembly.

The Five Target Trustees is a second proposal that acts as the speaking voice for the rest of the trustees. These trustees will help in adding leverage to the many proposals of the Student Assembly. It is a way of getting the trustees' insight to impact the community.

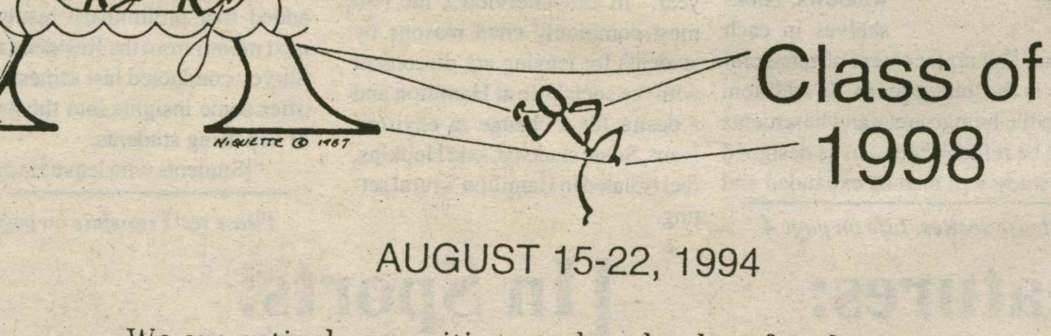
The third proposal, for an Executive Committee, was an idea created to help in ironing out the bureacratic obstacles that occur. This will allow for greater efficiency and accountability within the Student Assembly.

> **"The vision for the Student Assembly is to make it a strong mechanism to tap into the student community through the marketplace of ideas."**
> **-Onwubere '95**

The fourth proposal is for a Community Conference Committee to be created out of the Committee Council. The committee's structure can be compared to that of a town meeting with its main goals being to bring light to different situations and to call them to the attention of the proper people. It provides students with a chance to lobby for what they want and to dicuss their different concerns with the Council. It enables the Student Assembly to act as the facilitators by bringing groups of people together to have discussions. The groups will be divided into subgroups, such as a cultural diversity group, a group dealing with social issues, and a group dealing with administrative issues.

The last proposal is for a Central Council which would meet biweekly, composed of the members of the Student Assembly. By meeting every other week, it allows more time for the other committees to formulate proposals and initiatives. "The vision for the Student Assembly is to make it a strong mechanism to tap into the student community through the marketplace of ideas", said Onwubere.

Already, many proposals have been passed. Onwubere and Russell are trying to form a Residential Life Study Committee open to everyone who submits an application. The goal of this committee is to get the input of a diverse group of students on how they feel about various issues. Onwubere and Russell think that it is important not to just use the Residential Life Survey conducted as a final resource. The Residential Life Study Committee would help to pry into the community. The Student Assembly is an organization run by students, and therefore would like to see as much participation from them as possible. Through *The Specatator* and other monthly newsletters, the Student Assembly helps to keep the community informed of what is going on and what they are trying to achieve. In a community as diverse as Hamilton, Onwubere and Russell are focused on trying to get everyone involved.



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We are actively recruiting student leaders for this year's Adirondack Adventure program. If you have strong leadership ability, good interpersonal skills and outdoor experience, we encourage you to apply. This is a volunteer position, but all expenses are covered. Applications are available in the Athletic Office and the Dean of Students Office. Application deadline: February 15, 1994.

News from other Ivory Towers

—Compiled by Chris Marcisz '97

DKE and KKG Rerecognized By Colgate

Colgate's Greek-letter system has two of its old members back on campus this semester. Having each served suspensions for separate hazing violations, the sorority Kappa Kappa Gamma (KKG) and the fraternity Delta Kappa Epsilon (DKE) are now active and fully recognized by the University.

In February of 1992 KKG was found to have engaged in hazing activities involving alcohol, in which one person had to be hospitalized. DKE was suspended at the same time as KKG for hazing violations which then-Acting Dean of the College Thomas Tucker said at the time didn't involve alcohol or drugs. The exact nature of the violations was never disclosed.

(The Colgate Maroon-News)

Amherst College Breaks Its Application Record

The number of high school seniors applying for admission to Amherst College reached a record high this year. According to Dean of Admissions Jane Reynolds, the total applicant pool was 4,815 students, with 360 early applicants. This is higher than the previous record of 4,682 received in 1986-1987, and is 12 percent higher than the number of applications received last year. This is in spite of a trend over the last 15 years that has seen the number of applicants drop by 21 percent.

Dean Reynolds said that she is not sure of the specific causes of the increase, but offers some credit to the publicity generated by Amherst's top ranking in the October issue of *U.S. News and World Report.* Amherst has been ranked similarly both in 1983 and in 1990, however, and while applications did increase after the 1983 report, they declined after 1990.

The large number of applications lowers the acceptance rate still further at the Amherst, holding its place among the most selective schools in the United States. *(The Amherst Student)*

GRE Changed After Code Broken

The Educational Testing Service has changed the make-up of the Graduate Record Exam at the last minute due to the breaking of the code used in the test by Kaplan educational centers, a service which prepares students for numerous standardized test. The questions removed were the so-called Pattern Identification questions. This is the first year that the pattern identification questions were going to appear on the GREs. The GRE is administered by the ETS as a nationwide exam used to judge the aptitude of college students who plan to apply to graduate school. *(The Williams Record)*

Medical School Applications Reported to Be Rising

The challenge of getting into med school is expected to increase if the number of applications for admission keeps rising as it has been. This illustrated by the record high number of applications reported by the University of Nevada School Medicine. For its 52 available positions, 998 students applied. The school only accepts out-of-state students from West coast colleges without a med school and has a limited number of spaces reserved for students from Alaska, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana.

(The University of Nevada Sagebrush)

Williams Raises $173.6 Million

Remarkable alumni support brought Williams' Third Century Campaign to an overwhelmingly successful finish. The five year campaign included 83 percent participation of Williams' living alumni and became the most successful fund drive ever by a liberal arts college. The Third Century Campaign's final result of $173.6 million dramatically exceeded the drive's original goal of $150 million. Most of the funds will be added to the college's endowment for general purposes and for endowed professorships, financial aid, and curricular and program support.

(The Williams Record)

Weekend Weather

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Pub Nights to begin in Bristol

By Elizabeth Bliemel
News Staff Writer '97

The long debated pub to be located in the former location of The Hub in Bristol may finally become a reality. According to Beverly Low, Director of Student Activities, students have expressed a strong desire to have a pub service provided on campus. That desire is now being addressed. Though alcohol will not be served initially, it will be once the now pending liquor license is obtained.

Low currently leads a Pub Night Committee that will plan events and evaluate the performance of the pub which will open shortly. She is currently soliciting applications for six competent students to fill this role. These students would not only be planners but would work in the pub as well.

So far, the plans include five pub nights, the first being February 18. Suggested themes for those evenings are a late night dance club, student talent, professional musicians or comedians, Final Four, and popular t.v. show nights such as Beverly Hills 90210 and Seinfeld.

One concern is the sale of alcohol at the pub. According to Nancy Thompson, Assistant Dean of Students, this was not a problem in the past operation of the Hub. Hallmark will sell keg beer and box wine for those students 21 and over who wish to drink. Alcohol will be regulated by stamping or giving out bracelets to students who have proof of age. Hallmark will also be in charge of food services. Nachos, mozzarella sticks, wings, popcorn, and chips will be available.

The cost of running the Pub appears to be the only obstacle to its implementation. In visiting other colleges and universities like Colgate and Union, it was discovered that most of their pubs did not make money or even cover their costs. The most profitable plan would be to have the pub open only one night a week, either a Friday or Saturday night. The Pub Committee controls the budget. Costs, which are expected to be low, will be sought through Student Assembly and Student Activities.

Thompson feels that this plan will be successful if the pub fills a "social gap" on campus. Students last year at the Adler Conference, and through many petitions and letters to the Dean of Students office have expressed a desire to have a place where those students of legal age can drink.

Low stresses that the opening of the pub is a huge commitment that has been worked on since September. Before the college gets into something "too deep" she feels that the trial pub nights and student response will be the most accurate measure of the pub's future success.

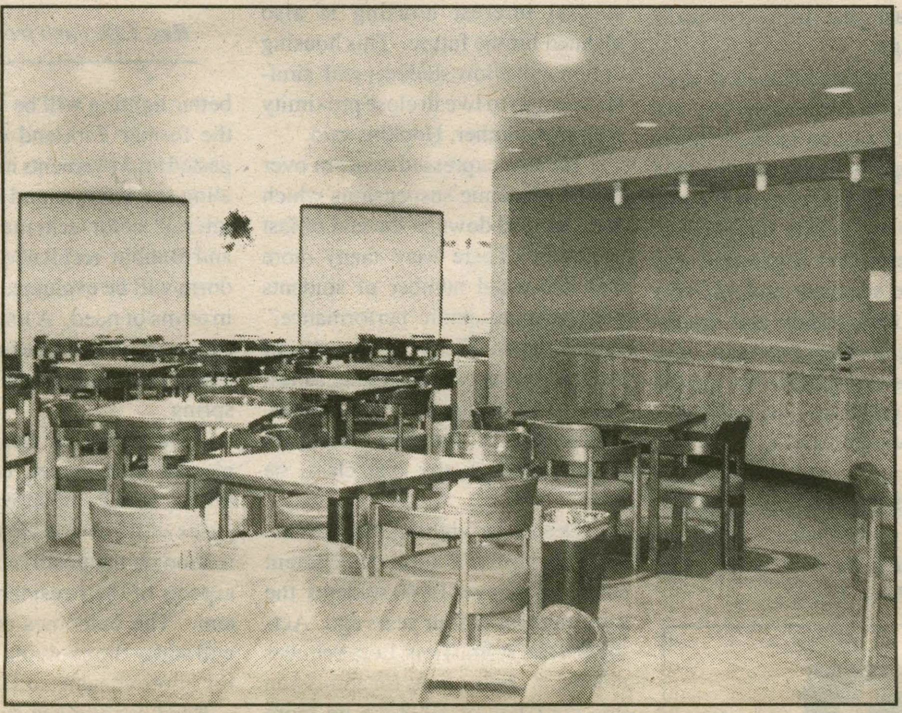

Photo by Stephanie Hedges

The former sight of the Hub at Bristol, soon to become the Pub

News Briefs

Program sponsored to help asthma sufferers

The American Lung Association of Mid-New York will sponsor an adult asthma self-management program. This two-session workshop will be held on Monday, February 14 and Wednesday, February 16 in Education Room B at Slocum Dickson on Burrstone Road in New Hartford.

The workshop is a practical guide to asthma and asthma self-management. With video modules, discussion, instruction, and hands-on practice this workshop makes learning easy and enjoyable. The participants will learn to take control of their asthma through increased awareness and knowledge understand and recognize asthma triggers and signals, avoid attacks, and manage attacks effectively with early treatment, take responsibility for their own well being, and work with their doctor as a partner in good health.

Area respiratory therapists Lucy Twichell, Mike Lyons, and Kim Clearc will be the workshop facilitators. Dr. James Kohan will also e available to answer participants' questions.

The cost of the program is $20. Space is limited and preregistration is required. To register, or for more information, call the American Lung Association of Mid-New York at (315) 735-9225.

General Mills develops scholarship program

This spring, under a program initiated by General Mills Foodservice Division, college and university campus food service operators will award thousands of dollars worth of scholarships to students across the country. The program makes scholarship money available to food service operators who serve General Mills cereals and other products in their institutions' cafeterias.

This month, college and university food service operators will receive funds up to $3,000 per scholarship winner. They will then select award recipients and administer the scholarships in cooperation with their institutions' financial aid offices.

"Campus food services exist to satisfy the nutritional needs and palates of college students, and breakfast cereals are an essential menu category," said National Sales Manager for General Mills Foodservice Division Ron Behm. "We developed the scholarship program as a way to support education, and to contribute back to the students who select General Mills brands in their school cafeteria line."

Information and program application forms are available to food service operators and financial aid officers by calling their General Mills sales representative or 1-800-882-5252, or by written request to: General Mills Foodservice Scholarship Program, Box 5201, Minneapolis, MN 55460. Students must apply for awards through their campus food service or financial aid office.

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New York City Budget Proposal submitted by Public Policy class

By Chris Marcisz
News Staff Writer

Last semester, students in Professor Gary Wyckoff's"Urban Economics, Politics, and Public Policy" class culminated the course by completing a major project that required them to prepare a comprehensive budget for the city of New York. Wyckoff found the report good enough to submit it to the city for its perusal. This comes after a project last year in one of Wyckoff's classes in which students formulated a health care reform package that was read by the Clinton Administration. This led to a significant amount of media attention for the class, including news coverage by the ABC and NBC televisions networks.

This year, the class was divided into ten task forces with two or three students each, focusing on a different subject involving the budget. There were task forces assigned to matters including crime, education, the environment, and race relations. Each task force prepared its findings which were then incorporated by the entire class into a theoretically feasible budget. The project was cochaired by Kyle Keogh '94 and Sona Virdi '94.

Some of the groups reports offered particularly innovative plans. Murat Ozuandar '94, a member of the housing task force, said his group was searching for a permanent solution to New York's housing crisis. Their plan includes the elimination of rent controls, increased housing subsidies, and a shelter system for the homeless that would provide a better long-term solution to the problem.

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE HEDGES

Professor Gary Wyckoff

The task force assigned to look into welfare recommended that welfare checks be picked up by recipients instead of mailed to them. The transportation task force recommended a number of ways to increase revenue and eliminate unnecessary vehicular traffic. They suggested an increase in bridge tolls, special bus lanes on city streets, and more taxi stands.

Wyckoff's decision to send the report to the city was met with mild displeasure by some of his students. Most of their objections stem from the fact that the Wyckoff did not discuss his decision with the class. James Washburn '94, a member of the transportation task force, indicated that he was not terribly surprised by Wyckoff's decision, given the publicity that he and the school received last year from the health care package.

Another important reason some of the students were upset was that they did not feel they had had enough time to properly revise their budget. Keogh described his experience with the project as "a little short-lived." Indeed, the project began mid-way through the semester and left very little time for revision and discussion among the class members. As a result, some students felt the project was not as good as it could of been. Ozaundar would only describe the end result as "average." Wyckoff commented that his students' efforts "should be commended." He is currently waiting for a response from the city of New York.

Transfers and Academic Probations up

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are consistent in that they enjoyed their courses here," he said. "I can't say I've heard students complain about any one particular issue."

Hopkins emphasized that recent changes on campus should lead to higher levels of student satisfaction. The opening of Beinecke Student Village at the beginning of this year has created new social opportunities for students. Increased emphasis on special interest housing is also planned for the future. This housing option will allow students with similar interests to live in close proximity with one another, Hopkins said.

He also expressed concern over the 14 academic suspensions which were handed down at the end of last semester. "There were many more than the usual number of students with poor academic performance," said Hopkins. This year's number of suspensions is twice as many as last year. The academic suspensions, which last for one year, were not concentrated in any one class, he said.

Despite the high number of transfers, Hamilton's total enrollment stands at just over 1,640 students, the same number as four years ago. Acting Dean of Admissions Lora Schilder noted that applications for admission into the Class of 1998 are up more than 300 from the number of applications that had been received for the Class of 1997 at this time last year.

Schilder also pointed out that Hamilton has been relatively successful in meeting its goal of enrolling 10 transfer students from other schools each year.

Student input wanted for Res. Life's "wish list"

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better lighting will be installed. On the former Kirkland campus, suggested improvements include remodeling the lounges and changing the interior color scheme in Milbank and Babbitt residence halls. Each dorm will be evaluated individually in terms of need. A list of estimated expenses will also be included in the report presented to the trustees this spring.

Members of Residential Life plan to tour several colleges later this semester. Visiting other campuses will provide first-hand information on the positive and negative aspects of their residential life system. The outcomes of such visits will add to the evolving pool of ideas for improvements at Hamilton.

Reed encourages students to directly involve themselves and make known their ideas for improvements. Information about precisely what Hamilton students are looking for is badly needed. If anyone has ideas, Reed urges them to contact her at 859-4023. She will happily answer any questions and listen to suggestions. Here office is located in the Office of Residential Life -Milbank 1.

Student not seriously injured in accident

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Shalom's parents had been notified by the hospital.

This is not the first incident of a student being struck by a vehicle. While Officer Kriz clearly remembered accidents of this nature, he was not sure as to the last time one happened. Pat Ingalls, Hamilton's Director of Security, stated, "I don' remember one, (but) just returning (to Hamilton) in July, I wouldn' know." She continued, "I think there has been one, about five or six year ago.

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FeaturesFocus

Another visit with local author Ralph Martell...

A man of many harvests

By Heather Tesoriero '96
Attitutes Editor

Small Potatoes is the title of local author Ralph G. Martell's fourth book, but his characteristically rich collection of prose, poetry and Martellian musings leaves the reader with the feeling of having experienced the divine pleasure of a small harvest.

I first had the wonderful fortune of meeting Martell last winter when my Spectator duties found me reviewing his third book, *Fish Tales and Other Stories to Get Hooked On*. We shared lunch behind the steamed windows of "Cafe on the Green," where Ralph (our friendship allows for first— name basis) divulged details of his life, his recounts unraveling to present a personal history of wonder, comedy, and miracles large and small. The events knit themselves into a quilt of colorful stories, all of which have been the topics for Ralph's writing, a "hobby" of his no less magnificent than the stories themselves.

He stumbled upon his undiscovered talent after a friend, Dr.Jim Newell, recognized Ralph's elevated writing ability through their correspondance of letters. Newell, who thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated Ralph's skills, encouraged him to write books, something Ralph claims he "never dreamed of doing."

He continued to write, and made connections with a former chaplain of Hamilton who he collaborated with to publish his first book. *Return to the Mato Grasso* is a delightful paperback with black and white photos detailing Ralph's excursions through Brazil.

For his second novel, Ralph established his own publishing company, Pan Publications, which produced his autobiography *When Does the Fun Start?* Shortly after delving into the pages, readers will laugh at the ironic title when they discover the trademark rapid adventures of Ralph's life.

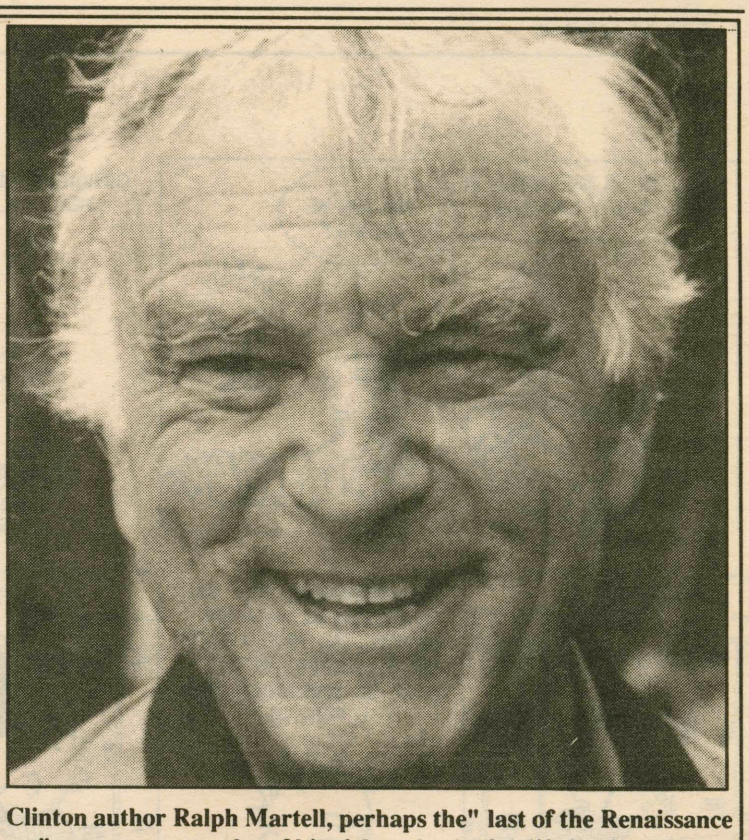
The youngest of seventeen children, Ralph's adolescent years were marked by a free spirit that sent him traveling to Florida, where he worked as a short order cook, janitor, lead-out boy at a dog track, to name a few. He finally ended up at St. Leo's Preparatory School, where he quickly became restless and joined the paratroopers.

The next years of his life were in a disarray until he opened a tiny restaurant/jazz club with his brothers in Key West, Florida. After, they birthed an after-hours club that was frequented by Tennesee Williams, Gore Vidal, Alec Wilder, and Thornton Wilder.

Years later, in New York City, the restauranteur blood still freshly coursing through his veins, Ralph convinced an eccentric with money to spare to back him in the opening of "Martell's," a saloon which grew to have immense fame and charming character. The restaurant can be seen in "The Happy Hooker," a Vanessa Redgrave film with scenes shot in "Martell's." The Beatles, Dustin Hoffman and Peter O'Toole are members of a long list of celebrities who made "Martell's" their stomping ground.

After the restaurant was sold in 1985, Ralph, his wife Alison and children Nevin and Josephine headed to New Zealand where they intended live. Homesick, the family returned to the States after two years, making a few more moves until their search for "home" brought them to Clinton, New York.

Ralph has been described as "the last of the true Renaissance men," as his passions in life are many, his personality contained with an endearing, genuine spirit. Dubbing himself as "actively retired," this is dramatic understatement in describing Martell's time. Not only a writer, Ralph is an avid traveler, photographer and lover of jazz. He is also an enthusiastic fisherman ("There have been times when calm but frustrated men have threatened to use dynamite to catch fish. That's when it's time to open another beer or go home"). Fishing and writing are done at his cabin on Leland Pond, a remote and peaceful location twenty minutes from his home on Utica Street. The Pond provides Martell with the peace and kindness of good silence to produce his work. Finding writing therapeutic, he says he can "write for six or seven hours at a time," stopping only to refill his cup of tea.



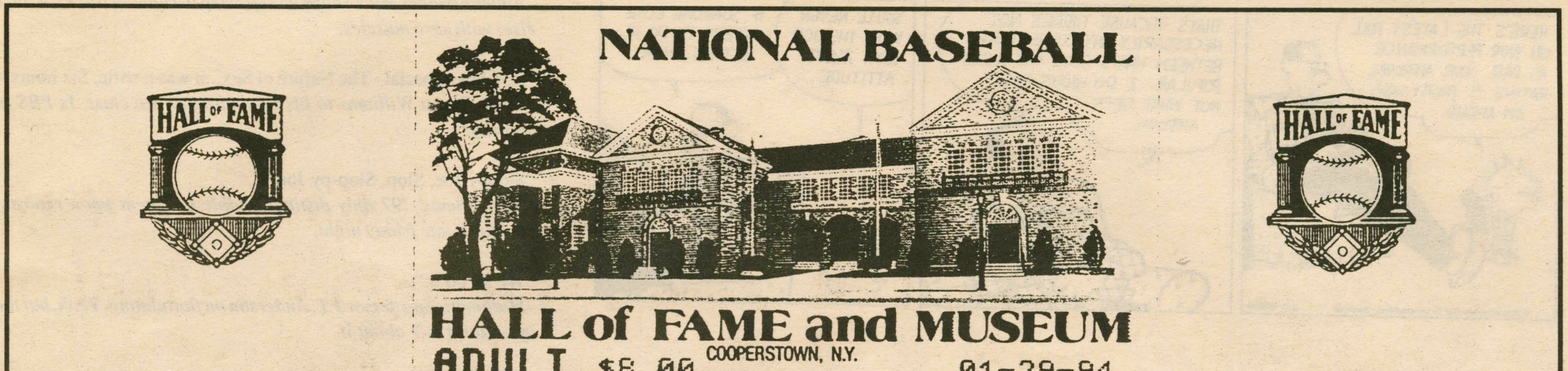
Clinton author Ralph Martell, perhaps the" last of the Renaissance men" recounts more tales of his rich and colorful life in his new novel.

Small Potatoes only reaffirms Martell's graceful, personable and deliciously rich writing style. The book commences with essays inviting and welcoming even to a new Martell reader. Varying from a piece detailing the family's mecca to Venezuela to one titled "My Cat (Our Cat)", his essays bring the reader deep into Martell's vivid experiences.

Fiction and poetry comprise the next part of the book; short stories such as "The Diner," and "The Lure of Fishing Can Be Murderous" display his flair for both the first and third person fictitious voices.

The book concludes with two sections entitled "Misquotations" and "Half Witicisms and Fish Witicisms." These are Martell's hysterical sagacious notes, many of which the reader will hang above bedroom mirrors and drop into good conversation.

I was fortunate and joyous to be able to lunch with Martell to discuss his new writing and the current events in his life. His full schedule leaves him dashing off in Martellian fashion, smiles and laughter radiating warmth and genuine goodness everywhere, to indulge in his many hobbies. None of which are small potatoes.



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The legends live on in Cooperstown and the American psyche

By Emily Valle '96
Features Co-Editor

We almost walked right past the understated stone structure that America has entrusted with the myth and memorabilia of its grand passion and favorite past-time. On a street in a small town that appears to still thrive on Sunday picnics, the transistor radio, and "Babe" Ruth's latest triumph, the Baseball Hall of Fame is squeezed between several other buildings that contribute to the maintenance of a different age.

As we passed through old-fashioned red doors and stepped into the dim lobby, I swear there were tears in my companion's eyes.

"Even the building is sturdy, traditional, quintessentially American— just like the game itself," he said reverently. I immediately sensed that I had entered a church of sorts— sacred territory in which men and women in baggy pants are regarded as saints and services commence in spring. Wandering through the displays, infected by my friend's enthusiasm, I soon realized that baseball is not just a sport. To its true fans, baseball stands for an ideology encompassing all that is consistent and good about America.

You would think that there'd be an unmistakable aura surrounding this region, as we reside so close the site of baseball's conception. But unless your powers of sensory perception are highly developed, you wouldn't necessarily know that Cooperstown, NY (less thanan hour from Hamilton) is the home town of Abner Doubleday, the man who reputedly invented the game of baseball as we know it.

Although there is considerable evidence that a game involving sticks and balls has been in existence since 2000 BC, the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown was dedicated to Doubleday in 1939 AD. The National Baseball Library and Doubleday Field were also built at this time. Every year, two major league teams meet at Doubleday Field for the Hall of Fame Game.

My immersion into the eternal season of sprawling afternoons resounding with the crack of ball against bat (or tobacco juice hitting the dirt, either one) began, symbolically, in front of a 10 foot picture of Babe Ruth. This baseball great has a whole wall to himself in another room. Pictures, letters, gloves, clothes, and video clips represence the man— or at least the legend—in a powerful way.

Hank Aaron, who exceeded Ruth's home run record of 715 by 40, also earned an entire wall in his honor. All significant Hall of Famers have, along with picture blow-ups and a brief outline of their career, at least a "locker" containing the magical tools of their trade.

Out of approximately 14,000 who have played the game at the Major League level over recent years, less than two percent have been elected into the Hall of Fame. The criteria for selection includes demonstration of ability and commitment above and beyond the limitations of the sport. Notables in-

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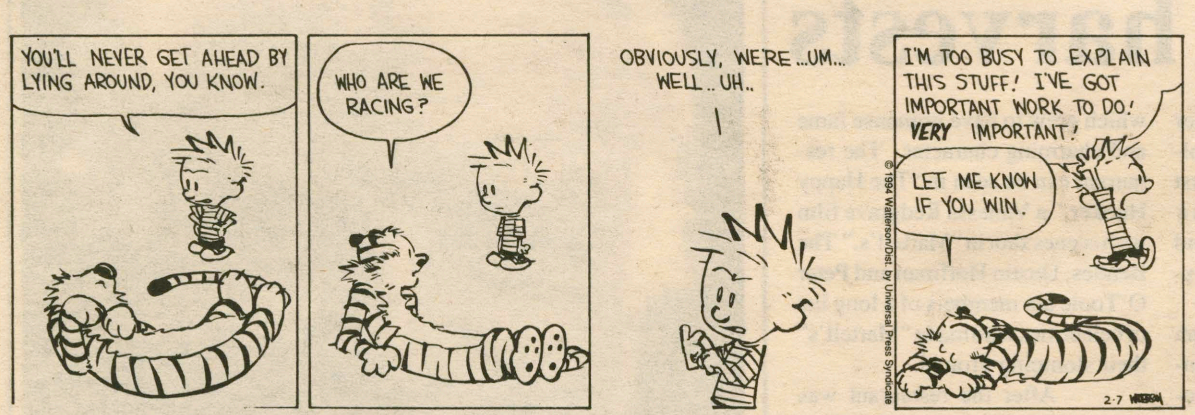
Calvin and Hobbes by BILL WATTERSON


YOU'LL NEVER GET AHEAD BY LYING AROUND, YOU KNOW.
WHO ARE WE RACING?
OBVIOUSLY, WE'RE ...UM... WELL.. UH..
I'M TOO BUSY TO EXPLAIN THIS STUFF! I'VE GOT IMPORTANT WORK TO DO! VERY IMPORTANT!
LET ME KNOW IF YOU WIN.
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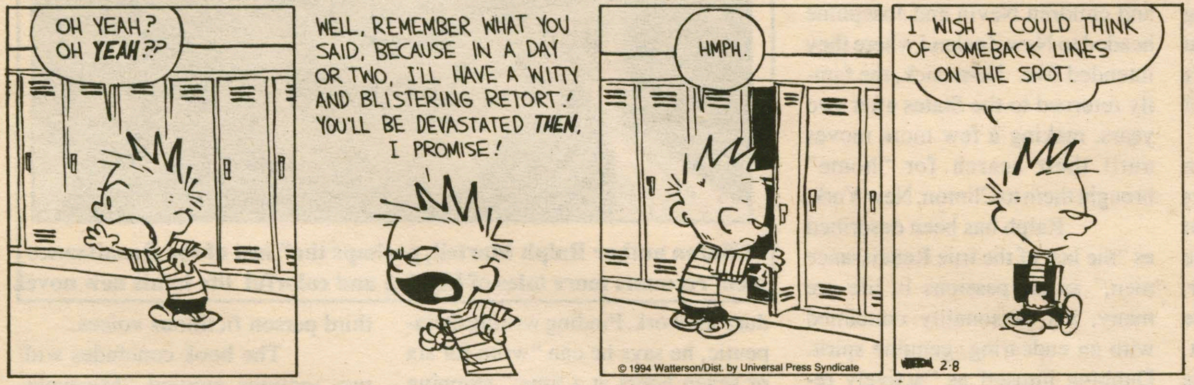
OH YEAH? OH YEAH??
WELL, REMEMBER WHAT YOU SAID, BECAUSE IN A DAY OR TWO, I'LL HAVE A WITTY AND BLISTERING RETORT! YOU'LL BE DEVASTATED THEN, I PROMISE!
HMPH.
I WISH I COULD THINK OF COMEBACK LINES ON THE SPOT.
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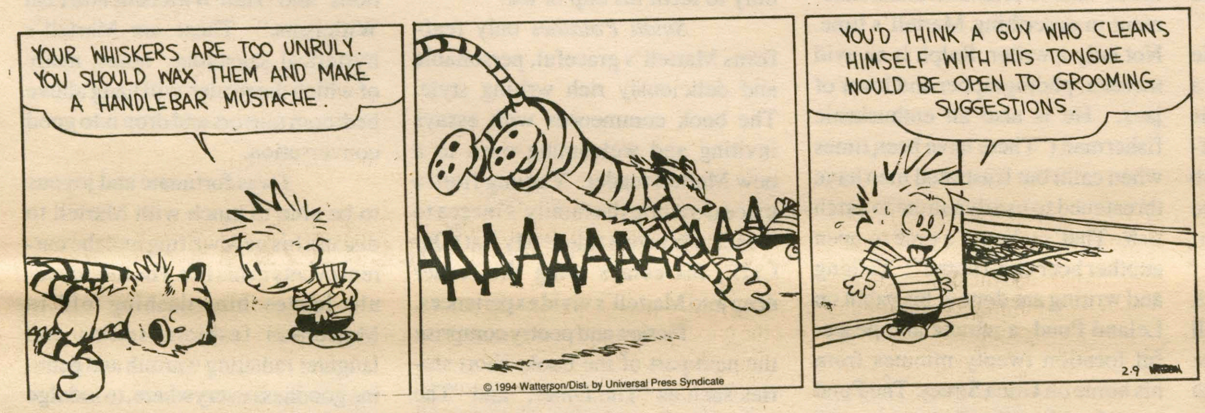
YOUR WHISKERS ARE TOO UNRULY. YOU SHOULD WAX THEM AND MAKE A HANDLEBAR MUSTACHE.
AAAAAAAAAAA
YOU'D THINK A GUY WHO CLEANS HIMSELF WITH HIS TONGUE WOULD BE OPEN TO GROOMING SUGGESTIONS.
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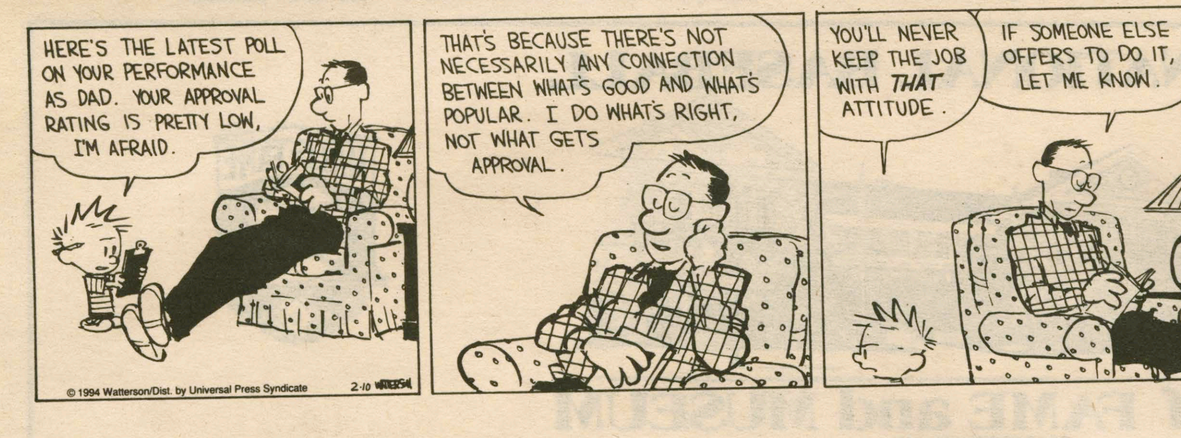
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YOU'LL NEVER KEEP THE JOB WITH THAT ATTITUDE.
IF SOMEONE ELSE OFFERS TO DO IT, LET ME KNOW.
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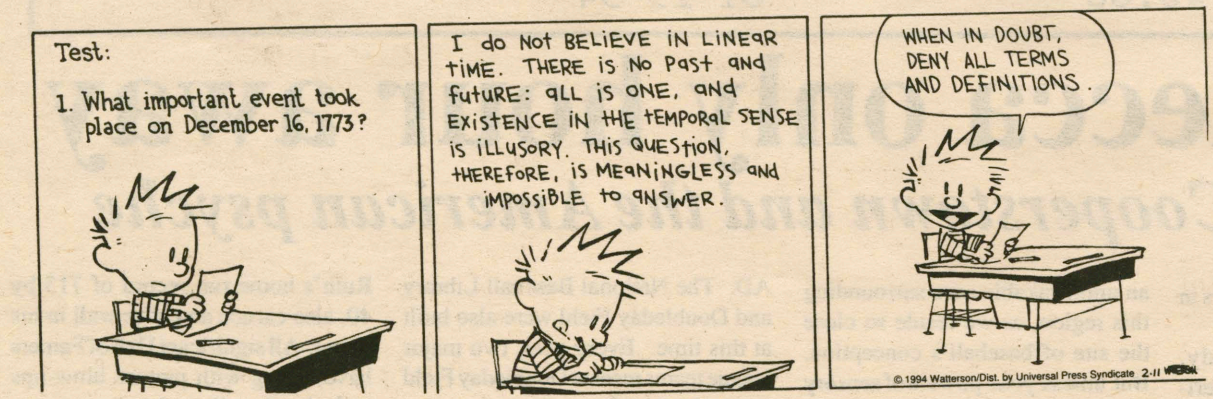
Test:
1. What important event took place on December 16, 1773?
I do Not BELIEVE IN LINEaR TIME. THERE IS No Past and future: all is ONE, and EXISTENCE IN THE TEMPORaL SENSE IS ILLUSORY. THIS QUESTION, THEREFORE, IS MEaNINGLESS and IMPOSSIBLE to aNSWER.
WHEN IN DOUBT, DENY ALL TERMS AND DEFINITIONS.
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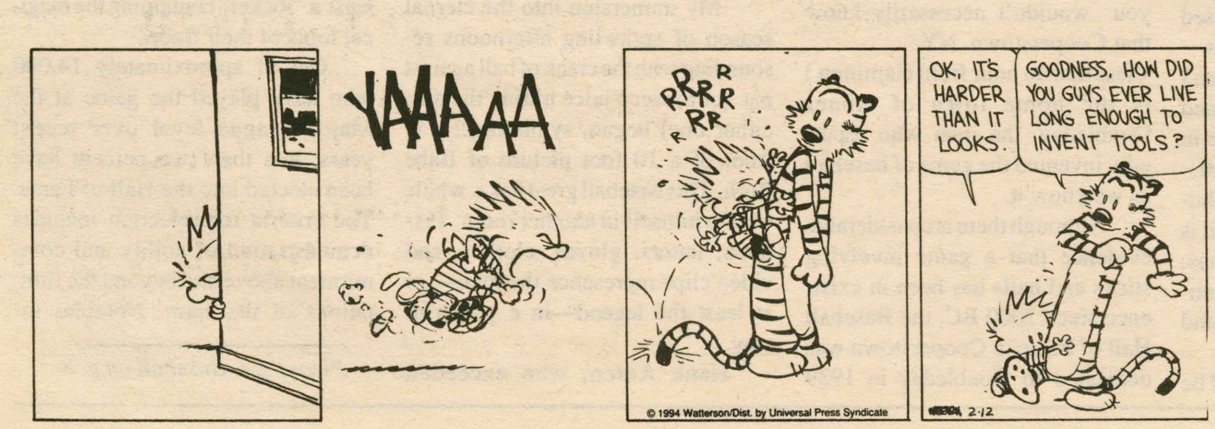
YAAAAA
RRRRRRR
OK, IT'S HARDER THAN IT LOOKS.
GOODNESS, HOW DID YOU GUYS EVER LIVE LONG ENOUGH TO INVENT TOOLS?
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QUOTABLE QUOTES

Trevor Nardini & Geoff Trukenbrod

"I'm being a trooper, huh?"
- Jessica Shalom '96 to hospital orderly after being hit by a car Thursday evening.

"An MRI in Utica.... what are you kidding??"
- St. Elizabeth's Dr. Chisholm on the archaic technology present at St. E's. Still using the leeches, huh?

"I just want Jessie to know that she gave me zits tonight!"
- Sarah McNeilly '96 on what lesson she wanted Jessica Shalom to take away from her recent hospital experience.

"This health care facility is required to give a reasonable amount of its services to persons who cannot afford to pay.
- St. E's stated health care disclaimer. 'Reasonable' certainly fills me with confidence.

"Our relationship is perfect except for when he's thinking."
- Tammy Scapicchio '95 referring to her boyfriend. Obviously he wasn't thinking when he started dating you.

"Deans learn to dodge quickly!"
- Acting Dean of Faculty G. Roberts Kolb on the techniques he uses to sidestep the cutthroat upper echelons of the Hamilton administration.

"My name is Elan E-L-A-N....like the ski.
- Elan Singer '94. D-O-R-K....like you.

"Let me know if it gets so bad that you can't do it anymore."
- Athletic trainer Mike Shiffman referring to running track (or anything else) with sore muscles.

"PBS has a special - The Nature of Sex...it was terrific. Six hours of it."
- Prof. Ernest Williams to his Evolutionary Bio class. Is PBS a new sorority?

"Sloppy Joe, Slop, Slop-py Joe."
- Will Adams' '97 only distinguishable comment upon returning to McIntosh late friday night.

"We all do it."
- Mathmatics professor J.T. Anderson on flattulating. Yeah, but the rest of us don't talk about it.

"Being spoiled is an art form."
- Neil McSare '96. That's why thay call this a liberal ARTS school.

"Mini-Stronee"
- Recent entree as it was labeled in Commons dining hall. If you can't spell it don't serve it.... 1-800-ABCDEFG.

"I'm gonna try to get a job where I don't have to work."
- John Adams '94 on his potential job offers.

"I would rather pick ass than do quotes this week."
- Trevor while working on this week's column with only eight submitted quotes.

"I feel like I've given head to an exhaust pipe."
- Sally Ackerman '94 on a recurring cough.

- The editors of this column profusely apologize for the length and content of this week's column. The column was compiled in an Emergancy Ward waiting room with a lack of student submissions. Therefore we refuse to accept responsibility for the above!!!

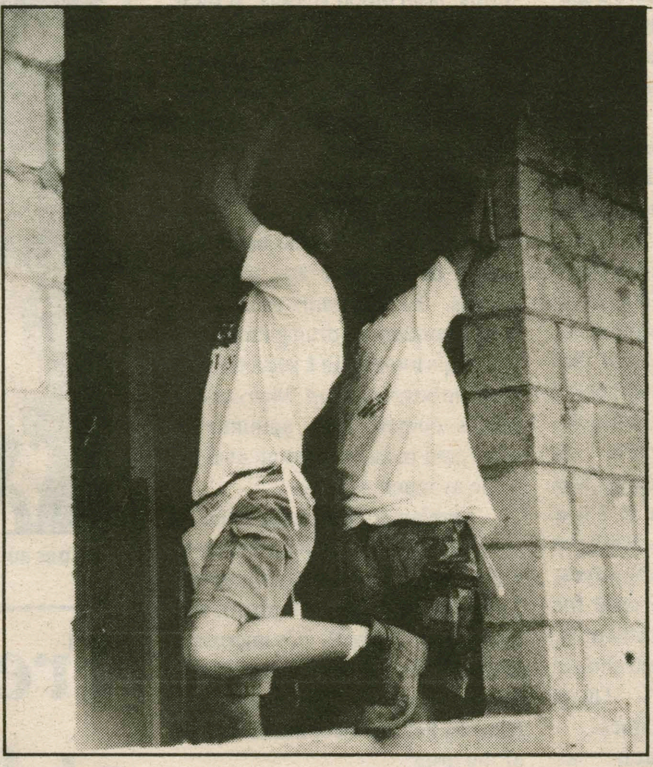
Any Quotable Quotes should be sent to The Spectator, care of Quotable Quotes though campus mail. Please include names and context.

Hamilton takes a break for Habitat

By Christine Neufeld '96
SPECIAL TO FEATURES

Most people think of Spring Break as a time to relax and maybe do something constructive outside of the academic pressures of college life. Well, forty-seven Hamilton students are taking that idea one step further in the constructive direction. When classes recess for our two week break, these students, under HAVOC's Alternative Spring Break Program, will leave Clinton, bound for the warmer temperatures of Miami, FLorida. There they will work with Habitat for Humanity rebuilding areas that were destroyed by Hurricane Andrew.

Hamilton's Breakaway Program started last year when twenty students spent their spring break in Homestead, Florida working with Habitat for Humanity. The group, along with groups from four other colleges, worked on eighteen houses being built by Habitat for victims of the hurricane. Students worked alongside Habitat employees and other volunteers, as well as with some of the recipients of the houses being built. The volunteers were placed into an environment completely foreign to their own, in which it was impossible to ignore the survivors who did not have the option of leaving on the next train. Due to the timing of the trip, students were also needed for the emergency action taken in response to the winter storm of last March. This storm, which the Hamilton volunteers ran into on their way down, brought tornadoes to the already devastated areas of South Dade County. Tents and trailers, serving as homes, were destroyed, leaving hundreds of people homeless once again. The Hamilton students worked in a Red Cross shelter, helped rebuild Tent City, sorted out clothes in churches, and took inventory and stocked warehouses, in addition to working on the houses at the construction site. The students met a lot of new people, and learned a lot about the value of life. Most of all, twenty virtual strangers from a small college in Upstate New York, came together and found that we all had something in common. We were all frustrated by our lack of ability to really help the people we met, but we were not going to give up. I know I will never forget my first Spring Break, never forget the people I met, the things I saw, and the friends I made. I will never forget what it felt like to leave South Dade, with all of its devastation, longing to return to at least try to make a difference. I know that the rest of the group would agree with me.



A few weeks after we returned to campus at the end of Spring Break, the twenty of us were brought together, mostly because of a strong desire to talk about our experience and try to explain the impact it has had on our lives. Because it was Hamilton's first ASB, we were constantly asked, "Was it worth it?" Even after we had been through a major winter storm, spent two nights on a train, and then a week in a leaky tent, were witnesses to the devastation and poverty of a major hurricane, and tried to help Homestead recover, not one of the twenty students would say that it was not worth it. In fact, most would tell you it was the best experience of their life — I would.

This year, HAVOC has expanded our program to include forty-seven Hamilton students who will be working in South Miami. Excited, anxious, perhaps even a little scared, these students wait for Spring Break a little differently than the average student. In preparation for our trip, we will be working with HAVOC's Habitat for Humanity Program in Utica, trying to learn as much as we can from the experience. Also, we will be fund raising for our trip in various ways. Two of our upcoming events include a benefit concert performed by various campus bands and performers, and a flower sale and delivery for Valentines Day. The concert will be held in the Events Barn in Beineke Village on Thursday, February 10th at 8pm. All are welcome. We will be taking orders for flower delivery at the concert, as well as in the dining halls and mail center next week. We appreciate any support that we receive and we are looking forward to sharing our experiences with the rest of the campus when we return.

Don't panic, you can beat test anxiety

By Peter Sullivan '95
PEER ADVISOR

I will never forget a particular final exam I took during my sophomore spring. Severely underestimating the amount of time that I would need to study, I was up late cramming. I was very anxious, having convinced myself that I had not learned enough of the material and the material that I had learned was not going to be retained.

As soon as I saw the first question, the panic hit. My palms perspired, my throat went dry, my heart was beating out of my chest, and my head started to spin. I was convinced that I was going to fail this exam, the course, bring my GPA down, not get a good job and ultimately be a failure in life. An intense feeling of guilt swelled up inside of me as I thought I was letting my parents down. I also thought about how horrible it would be if my friends found out that I had failed such an easy test.

This is a classic example of test anxiety. Being nervous prior to an exam is quite normal and in many cases can be a real source of motivation. There is however a certain level of anxiety that can develop and pose as a very serious threat. There are essentially two different types of test anxiety. The first one is the one I was afflicted with and is a reaction to a lack of preparation. The second type exists even if you are adequately prepared. It is not a rational reaction and is more dangerous than the first one.

In preparing for a test it is important to develop a positive attitude. First you have to convince yourself that it is only a test and there will be many more to follow. Realize that the most reasonable expectation of yourself is to do your best and show as much of what you know as you can. You can even plan ways to improve your work in the future. Remember that in order to be positive mentally you must adhere to certain biological and social needs. Always continue good nutrition and exercise and do not neglect recreational and social activities either.

Directly before the test try to moderate your pace and take breaks when needed. Procrastination usually only leads to anxiety and creates great potential for acute test anxiety. Try to break out of the rut of putting things off (take a look at the article, "A Stitch in Time Saves Nine", Spectator, 10/9/93). Study in an atmosphere that will promote concentration. It is also very important to get lots of sleep the nights previous to the test to allow you to perform to the best of your ability.

On the day of the test start out with a good breakfast and try to avoid coffee or other substances with caffeine in them. Do not cram before the test and just prior to it do something that relaxes you. Arrive at the test a little early and pick a good seat away from any possible distractions. Avoid talking to anyone that is hyper or who may generate anxiety in you. Do something that will preoccupy yourself.

When you receive the test, take a deep breath and then, starting with the easiest questions first, pace yourself. For essay questions, create an outline and remember to leave plenty of time for them. In doing the multiple choice, use the process of elimination and if you are struggling with one, go with you first impression. Recheck answers only if you have time and are not anxious.

If you start to get anxious, take a little break. Go to the bathroom, get a drink, sharpen your pencil or ask the teacher a question. If the anxiety heightens or continues then try this relaxation technique, as suggested by a Hamilton student manual on test anxiety:

- loosen your clothing and sit back in your chair.

- Tighten the muscles in in your toes, hold for a count of ten and then relax them. Enjoy this release of tension.

- Flex the muscles in your feet hold for ten and then relax.

- Move slowly up through your body -legs, abdomen, back, neck face contracting and relaxing muscles

*Please see **Relief** on p. 8*

NEWS FLASH!!!

The interviews are over,
and the folders are being read,
Winter on the HILL makes us run for cover
With blankets pulled over our heads.

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OTC's: Don't use casually

By Diann Lynch
R.N. C.C.H.N.

Because of the high cost of medical care, many people often try to treat themselves with over—the—counter (OTC) drugs for minor illnesses before seeking advice from their health care provider. OTC drugs are those medicines that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) consider safe enough to be used by consumers without a doctor's prescription.

However, this does not mean that these drugs should be used casually because they are, in fact, still drugs that alter the body in some way. The FDA requires accurate labeling of the OTC's therebye making it the consumer's responsibility to carefully read the label to see exactly what the drug is and what it is supposed to do. The consumer must also be aware of any allergies or other medical conditions they may have that may be affected by the use of the drug.

OTC's are a big business in this country. Americans spent over $12 billion last year on OTC's and it is estimated that this figure will double by 1995. Some of the most expensive and most heavily advertised OTC's, especially at this time of year, are flu, cough and cold preparations. The most popular are the ones that are a combination of many drugs, each targeted to relieve a specific symptom. The problem with the "one drug cures all" preparations is that you usually do not need all the ingredients and some of them can actually make your symptoms worse. Each individual drug can be bought and is usually available and cheaper in generic form.

The following are the type of drugs most often used alone or in combination to relieve symptoms of flu and colds. Keep in mind that colds and flu are viruses and there is no cure, only symptomatic treatment.

Antihistamines such as diphenhydramine (Benadryl) and chloropheniramine (Contac,ChloroTrimiton) will relieve sneezing, runny nose and itchy eyes. They are most commonly used for allergy symptoms. The problem is, they have a drying effect and should not be used by asthmatics. These drugs can also cause drowsiness.

Decongestants such as pseudoephedrine (Sudafed) and phenylpropanolamine (Dimetapp) shrink small blood vessels and reduce stuffiness in the nose and sinuses. They also help the full or popping feeling in the ears. They are contraindicated for individuals with high blood pressure, glaucoma or thyroid problems.

Nasal sprays (Afrin) basically shrink nasal blood vessels. If these are over used they can cause the symptoms to become much worse.

Cough medicines are basically of two types: suppressants and expectorants. Suppressants contain dextromethorphan and usually say DM on the bottle. This drug quiets the cough center of the brain and should be used for dry, irritating coughs. Expectorants most commonly contain the drug guaifenesin that helps loosen thick secretions so they can be brought up. Many cough syrups contain high amounts of sugar and most contain alcohol — some as much as 15%.

Another common ingredient in cold preparations are pain and fever relievers such as acetaminophen Tylenol), saicylates (Aspirin), and ibuprophen (Advil). It's important to check the amount of the drug in the preparation because many contain only half the recommended dose of the drug.

All of these drugs can be effective if used properly. Never buy or use an OTC unless you read and understand the label and never use them for an extended period of time without consulting your health care provider.

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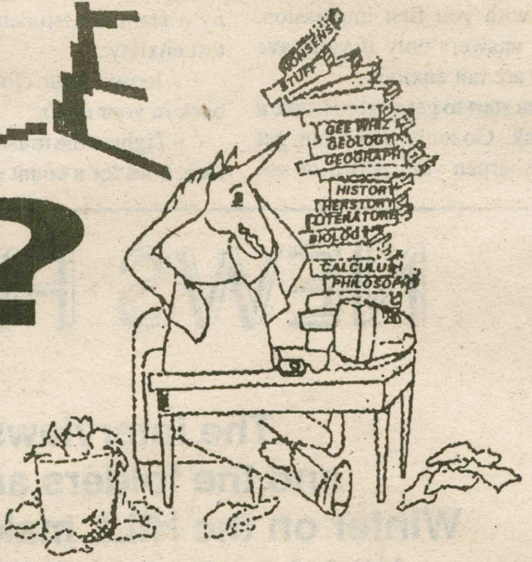

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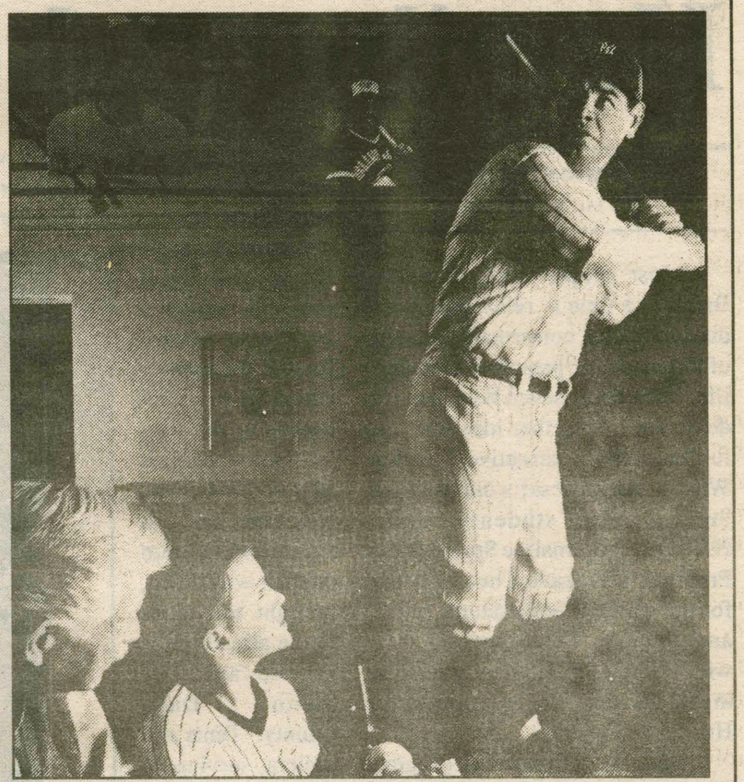

Statues such as this depiction of "Babe" Ruth brings the legend alive for all generations

Treasures abound at Hall of Fame

*From **Baseball** on p.5*

clude Lou Gehrig, Nolan Ryan, Ty Cobb and Ted Williams.

Every aspect of baseball is extensively and creatively covered at the museum. History, oil paintings, stamps, bat and ball construction and the evolution of the uniform are all tangibly displayed. The room dedicated to stadiums is an actual reproduction of a ballpark. Another room contains a juke box which spouts songs about baseball and its sweethearts from the forties and fifties.

There are separate rooms for "Women in Baseball," "Black Baseball," and "The Umpire". In fact, there is so much information, so many bits of memorabilia and pieces of cultural paraphernalia that it would have taken seven hours and a fine-toothed comb to get through it all.

At one point I found myself wondering if a football or basketball museum would have quite the same resonance as this shrine to baseball. What is the mythological quality that surrounds the sport? Noting the numerous septuagenarians who patrolled the floors I wondered— Could it be nostalgia for times gone by? But this theory was destroyed by a group of 10 year—old boys in baseball uniforms who exclaimed happily over everything Yankees. It seems such a slow game to me, painfully drawn out with sudden jabs of fierce activity and nail biting tension. How does a simple game have the power to evoke such emotion, such fierce patriotism in a way no other sport quite emulates?

If you know the answer to these questions instinctively, and even if you don't, this is definitely a wonderful place to discover.

The Hall of Fame is open daily year round except for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years. Hours are 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. May 1 through October 31 and 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. November 1 to April 30. Tickets cost $ 8.00. For more info call: (607) 547-9988

Beat test anxiety

*From **Relief** on p. 7*

as you go.

- Breathe deeply and slowly.

Mark Twain once said, "there have been many catastrophes in my life of which only a few have actually occurred". In a state of anxiety you start to concoct every worst-case scenario possible, many of which never actually happen. It is important to take precautions to safeguard against anxiety and if it hits, try to the best of your ability to think rationally and positively. If test anxiety is ailing you then try these simple steps. If it still persists then please come to the counseling center and seek some professional help. Remember, this problem does not stem from the fact that you are a failure or cannot grasp the material but rather it is an anxious reaction that can be conquered and controlled.

Sources:

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How To Concentrate and Relax For Effective Test-Taking: StudentManual, Hamilton College Counseling and Psychological Services

Welfare reform; the political vs. the personal

In recent years, many people have argued that "the personal is political," while still more people have debated about what exactly such a catch-phrase signifies. In trying to decipher the slogan to my own satisfaction, I began to think about how much of the political is personal, that is, to what extent statistics and legal measures reflect, not merely theories, but rather aspects of people's lives.

Mary Kate LeCam
Liberal Lit.

On that note, we'll move to the topic of welfare. Ah, I can hear the exasperated groans and see the rolling eyes even as I type. Unfortunately, many people are apt to become frustrated at the mere mention of the word welfare, due in large part to blatantly erroneous notions of what the welfare system entails, and the nature of those who utilize it.

Certainly, there are few people on either end of the political spectrum who would deny that our nation's welfare system does indeed need to be revamped. As President Clinton's recent State of the Union Address demonstrated, welfare reform is presently a hot political topic. However, reforms might be implemented with greater speed and success if political figures and their constituents would try to downshift their outlook from the political to the personal.

For starters, they could try reading the article in Thursday's *New York Times*, which detailed the horrible sight that met the eyes of Chicago police officers when they stormed into an apartment on Tuesday in search of a crack house. Although they did not discover any traces of drugs on the premises, they did encounter a living arrangement that none of them will likely soon forget. Crammed into a rancid, two-bedroom apartment were 19 children, ages one to fourteen, who shared their dwelling place with at least six adults.

Who would disagree that no child, and for that matter no adult, deserves to live in such conditions? So why can't anybody seem to agree on what measures to take to remedy the situation? Obviously, there are many complex factors involved in trying to accomplish any sort of social reform. However, it is for precisely that reason that simplistic solutions like "two years and out" seem to fall dreadfully short of the mark.

It is also quite obvious that any welfare reform movement must be part of a comprehensive plan to address the many problems that are eating away at our country from the inside out. Welfare reform needs to be linked with things like a shift in educational policy, stricter gun control laws and yes, universal health care.

So what needs to happen in order to translate the efforts of the political machinery into tangible results? In short, a renewed focus on the personal.

To begin with, it is essential for politicians to remember that they have something very important in common with welfare recipients: their humanity. It is also necessary to explode the prevalent myths regarding people on welfare. They are not inherently lazy, greedy or stupid. They are not all drug addicts or criminals. They are simply people who have lived the American nightmare and need a great deal of help getting back on their feet.

From whatever angle you view the situation it is complicated and sad. The Chicago children, whose parents have been arrested for child neglect, are now at the mercy of the overloaded and drastically underfunded *child* welfare system in their home town. Who knows how much better their next living arrangement will be.

Something has to change. No one should have to live in abject misery and deprivation. Certainly, no child can survive it unscarred. Never has it been more crucial to translate the political into the personal.

Sexist rape laws: a necessary solution

In New York State rape is any unconsented to penetration of the vagina by the penis (consent must be given by both partners). What frequently comes into question now is not whether the parties involved had sex, but if it was consentual. The laws concerning consent are often ambiguous at best, leading to a gray area of whether sex was rape.

Let me try to clarify. In New York, absolute, verbal consent is necessary. Silence or other possible indications of consent are not acceptable. Some believe that these laws, which in some ways treat women like children, are sexist and degrading. They reinforce the stereotype that a woman is incapable of asserting herself, of saying "no." Others believe consent is being clouded by concerns of "next morning regret" and seduction, that they are destroying the "joy of the hunt."

The problem is that our society already treats women like children. Women are not socialized to understand that they are capable of saying "yes" or "no" without apologies. Because of this, issues of implied threat and emotional and mental manipulation have come forward. These terms address the fact that a knife or physical violence are not the only ways to "force" someone into having sex.

Bill Murphy
Dead Center

An implied threat basically asserts that one need not directly say that the victim has a choice between one undesirable act (death, violence, social or emotional harm) or rape. It also includes the idea that the very relationship between a man and a woman is, frequently, an implied threat. Men are, generally, physically superior to women. Therefore, the very fact that if a man wanted to he could hurt his partner may be threat enough to ensure her "consent." In an ideal world women would realize their ability to say "no." It might seem disempowering, and a little bit sexist, for a law to say that a woman's physical inferiority makes her incapable or afraid of asserting herself. But we live in the real world and the potential for harm is a pretty strong motivator.

What about mental and emotional manipulation? The law as it is states that manipulating a woman into having sex is rape. Some call it seduction. Others call it rape, saying that it is possible, and wrong, to convince someone to have sex. But this law too could be interpreted as sexist. What it says, in essence, is that not only are men physically superior to women, but also mentally and emotionally superior. In practice, a man not only can dominate a woman physically, but can also dominate her will. This seems to reinforce the sexist views that many women fight against, but it doesn't.

Some women will surely be outraged at a law which asserts their childlike inferiority to men. These women, however, were socialized differently from many women in our society. Women have been told time and time again that they are indeed inferior. Is a surprise that some have begun to believe it?

I am not saying that men are inherently mentally and emotionally superior to women . On the contrary, many women have mental capacities (and even emotional ones) that I lack. But we must realize that for practical purposes, if a women sees herself as inferior, as subservient, then that is what she is. If a woman believes she is powerless, then she is. This is reality. A woman cannot assert that she is a man's equal, because she is not. The women that believe/know they are not the inferior sex are in the minority.

Another law that has a variety of interpretations concerns drunken consent. For those of you who don't know, if two people have sex, and due to inebriation one party cannot or does not say "no," then it is rape. The problem is that if both are drunk, the infamous gray area resurfaces. Drunken victims are not responsible, drunken rapists are. What this means is, men can handle their alcohol and should still maintain their judgement. Women, the children that they are, should not be held responsible because they are already incapable of making a decision. Imagine what alcohol must do to their judgement. Absurd...yes. Realistic...absolutely. This is not to say (as I put it rather bluntly) that women are incapable of asserting themselves or making decisions. It is not even meant to protect the woman who regrets having sex the next day. The differences between rape and regret are infinite. The point is to protect women from a society that once said, "She was drunk, she deserved it."

All the idealism in the world will not change things. There are gray areas, and there is no way of knowing what's going through your partner's head (and I use the word partner to in no way imply equality). It is a flaw in our society that allows someone to grow up not knowing of her right, her responsibility, to say "no" when she wants to. It is another flaw that allows men to grow up not asking. I wish all women capable of saying no. Then again, I wish rape never happened. If wishes were

Olympic priorities askew:

Money has become too important

In the recent weeks, as we get closer and closer to the Olympics, a drama has been unfolding before America's eyes. Nancy Kerrigan and Tonya Harding have become household names, as has the incident in which they are both involved. This incident is a blemish on America and our culture. However, I think this is only the latest symptom of a much greater problem.

The Olympics originally existed, not for financial gain, but for entertainment and good, clean competition. People strove to win because they wanted to know that they were the best in their domain. Today, people do not care if they are the best or the worst; all that is important is winning, even if that means doing things very detrimental to one's health or killing off all the competition. These incidents have grown to epidemic proportion. Ben Johnson, the Olympic runner, took steroids to gain an edge over his competitors. He is not the only person to have done this, there are others. When people are willing to subvert their own health and safety by taking illegal drugs or commiting acts of violence for the sake of winning a game or race, the competition has become too much and winning has become too important.

The incidents involving people endeavoring to put their competitors out of the race are also prevalent. Tonya Harding is not the first, only the latest to do this. In an Olympic figure skating tournament of some time ago, an unknown assailant attempted to kill Dorothy Hamill by running her down in an automobile. They were unsuccessful and Hamill never reported the incident, so it went unnoticed.

One of the reasons the desire to win has transcended all rationality is the immense payoff the winner receives. It is estimated that the next winner of the gold medal in figure skating will get ten million dollars in endorsements. This seems to be all that people care about. When asked why she wanted to win so badly, Tonya said the only thing she saw was dollar signs. Is this what the Olympics is all about?

Hunter Chamberlin
Apple Pie

This latest incident also raises another problem for the Olympic Committee - should Tonya be allowed to skate? Although she has not yet been proven guilty, there is strong evidence to suggest that she knew about the attack before it occurred, including the testimony of her ex-husband who has already been proven guilty. The court decision on her guilt or innocence will not take place until long after the competition. If they wait for this, and let her skate in the meantime, a very bad precedent is being set. It will mean that other people will be able to follow her example. They will be able to take their fellow competitors out of the competition and not fear losing their spot on the team due to the slow court process. If, however, she is innocent and they don't let her skate, that is an equally tragic mistake. The problem of letting her skate or not is clearly a difficult problem with no clear solution in sight.

It perturbs me to no end that sports have become a business with millions at stake. It skews the priorities of all the people involved, and takes away from the original purpose - one of entertainment and goodwill. The attitude that people attach to sports today is clearly indicative of a flawed and ailing society.

EDITORIAL

Thesis needed to maintain Hamilton's high standards

Right now, the senior class is divided into four major groups.

First, we have those who did their senior thesis last semester. They are happy to spend their last semester at Hamilton with not that much work. They feel they have earned the right to coast.

The second group consists of those who are just beginning their thesis. You can tell them by the panicked look on their faces as they realize they have to write thirty, forty, fifty pages in the two and a half months they hoped to do nothing in.

Thirdly, we have those who are continuing their thesis from last semester. The common thought among them is to kill anyone who happens to mention it. They really cannot believe that their spent four months on it and they are still only half done.

The final group is those who are managing to get out of Hamilton without writing a thesis. They are easy to spot by their laughter at the first three groups.

Different majors have different requirements for a senior thesis or project. Some require it. Some make optional for those who are looking for honors. The differences in policy between the departments allows too many students to fall through the cracks. These differences allow a number of students on this campus, whatever the percentage, to avoid completing some kind of senior project. Anything that would show they learned something on this campus other than the quickest route to Sangertown.

The fact that this possibility exists lowers the academic standards of the entire school. It gives Hamilton the reputation of being a place where students are able to graduate without doing an excessive amount of work. Is this a good thing? I don't think so.

Last semester, Student Assembly was looking at ways to improve the curriculum. Requiring a thesis would be a major improvement. Bates has this requirement and they are still getting quality students. Last I heard, they were considered a top school.

The goal of any liberal arts college is to teach its student how to write and think; two skills that are needed in any career you plan to pursue. It is unclear how this goal can be achieved by allowing some percentage of its students to avoid a needed rite of passage.

Closing the loopholes by making a mandatory senior thesis or project will annoy those who are relying on it. But it might force them to learn something before they leave.

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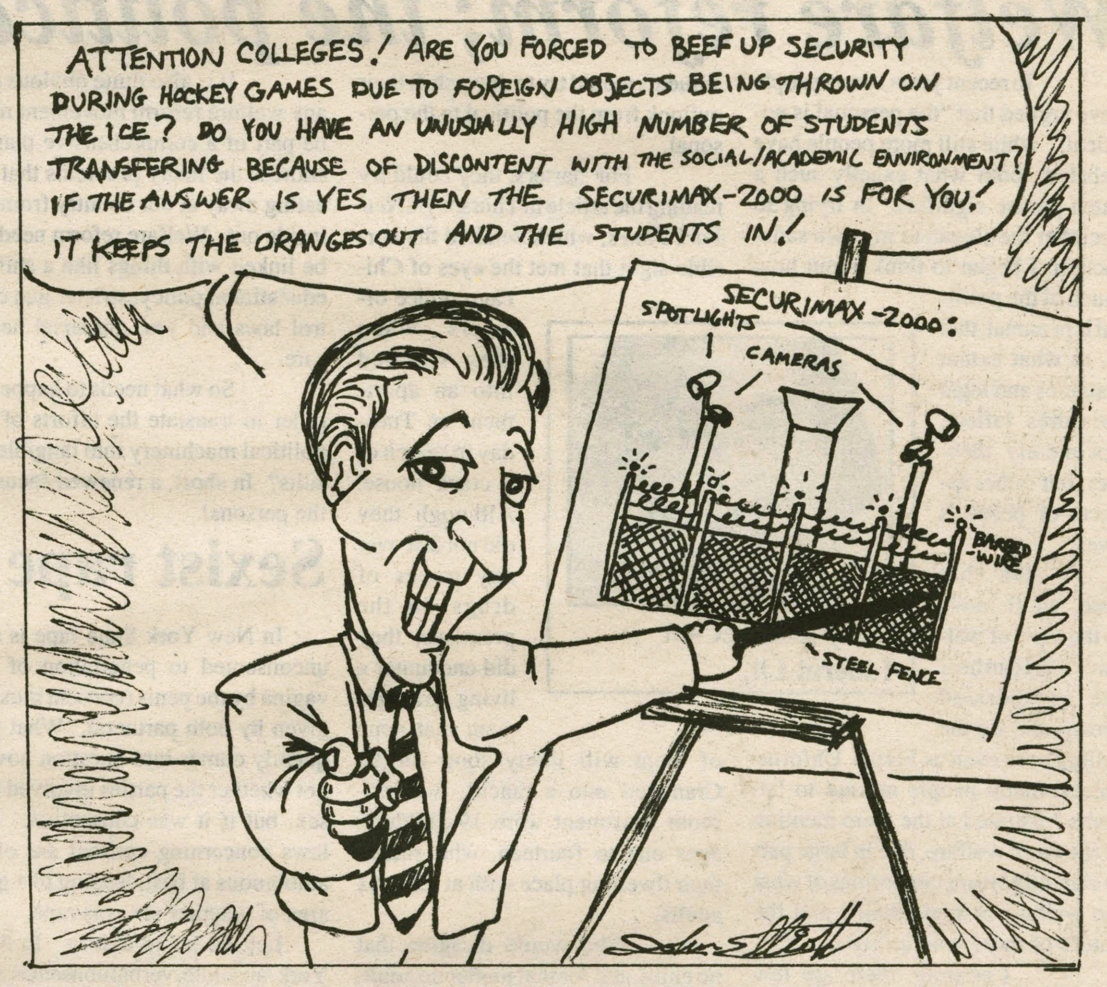
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'82 graduate creates Gay/Lesbian Alumni Association to combat homophobia

To the Editor:

I am deeply disturbed by the discriminatory tone ofa recent "Letter to the Editor" from J. Terence MacAvery '72. Mr. MacAvery was incensed that The Spectator did not censor, or object to, a photograph of a same-sex "kiss-in" sponsored by Hamilton's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual student group. He also threatened to withhold further contributions to Hamilton unless the college discourages the "advancement of the gay agenda."

As a gay graduate of Hamilton, I am offended by the implications of Mr. MacAvery's letter. As an institution, Hamilton should promote freedom of expression, diversity, and equal opportunity for all its students. It should abhor the prejudice against gays inherent in Mr. MacAvery's statement.

Contrary to the implications of Mr. MacAvery's remarks, homosexualtiy is not a "point of view." It is an innate characteristic that occurs in approximately 5% of the population. Homosexualtiy occurs naturally among people in ever nation, religion, socioeconomic group, race, or political party. In fact, according to Randy Shilt's landmark book on gays in the military, Conduct Unbecoming, even our college's namesake - Alexander Hamilton - is believed to have had homosexual relationships.

Gay Americans are no longer willing to accept the double-standard that prevails in our society. A heterosexual couple can kiss or hold hands in public, or bring his/her spouse to public functions, but if a homosexual couple does any of these things - they are accused of flaunting their sexualtiy.

Difference breeds prejudice - and prejudice often leads to discrimination. This is why Hamilton bans discrimination against homosexuals, as do the laws of eight states, including those of New Jersey - Mr. MacAvery's home state. If Mr. MacAvery "takes a stand" and fires a gay employee for kissing his partner in public or at work, Mr. MacAvery will have violated the law in New Jersey. The "gay agenda" is nothing more than a call for equal rights, equal treatment and equal protection from the law.

In his letter, MacAvery implies that the "kiss-in will somehow threaten the "virtues of Hamilton" and adversely influence his young children. However, he fails to mention whether his children are hetersexual or homosexual, how does he know? My parents would have sworn that I was heterosexual. They were wrong. I was one of approximately five out of 100 children who are gay or lesbian.

Many parents instill self-hatred in their gay children - causing one-third of gay teens to attempt suicide at one point in their lives. Instead, parents should educate their children that homosexualty is a normal variant of human sexual development and discrimination against gays and lesbians is wrong.

Hamilton alumni like Mr. MacAvery need to overcome their homophobia. To promote a better understanding of gay and lesbian issues within the College communitee, I am volunteering to help form a Hamilton/Kirkland Gay and Lesbian Alumni Association. I urge all of our gay and lesbian alumni to volunteer to join this new organization. Please write me at 700 S. 10th st., Apt. 2b, Philadelphia, Pa. 19147 to volunteer. You should also consider participating in the Hamilton Gay and Lesbian Student Association's "Diversity Awarness Week (April 25-May 1).

As a liberal arts college, Hamilton "encourages respect for...sexual and affectional...differences because such respect promotes free and open inquiry, independant thought, and mutual understanding. " If Mr. MacAvery believes in this principle, then he should continue to contribute to the college. However, if he would like to contribute to an organization dedicated to discrimination, prejudice and bigotry toward gays, he should send his check to Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition—they would love to have his money.

Scott Allocco '82

Search for dean welcomes all

To the Editor:

Individuals unable to attend one of the open group meetings held by the Dean of Faculty Search Committee are encouraged to contact the committee members and share comments/concerns.

Carole Bellini-Sharp
Erol Bakan
Cynthia Domack
Patricia O'Neill
Dean of Faculty Search Committee

Student Assembly Platforms

Fred Bush '96

In order to be a member of Student Assembly, one needs a specific qualification. This qualification was the focus of the last Spectator Editorial. That is, commitment. I am not offering a multitude of promises or proposals. I am not offering a grand social reform for Hamilton. However, what I am offering is commitment — a commitment to the class of 1996. Is our class satisfied 100% with Hamilton, and if not why not ? I am prepared and willing to spend my own time, not just the Student Assembly's time, to find out what you want from your Hamilton experience.

Patrick Kenny

I am running for the position of class representative because I have the desire to contribute in a constructive manner to the Hamilton Community. If elected , I believe I posses the qualities of leadership, cooperation, and determination which will allow me to listen to students and serve and represent them to the best of my ability. I will bring a new and positive attitude to the student assembly and hopefully be able to have a positive influence as well.

Rusty Smith 95

What makes one a good candidate for a Student Assembly position? Community involvement and experience. Being Treasurer of the Intersociety Council, President of the Young Business Club, a three year member of the Hamilton College Choir and a member of both Intramural Ice Hockey and Indoor Soccer teams, I possess both qualities. By electing me, my knowledge of the way things are done on this campus can help us to make the best of our remaining time at Hamilton. I look forward to your support and know that we can make Hamilton better place.

Jonathan Fletcher '96

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Tarik Abdelazim '95

Because I'm not a politician (yes, I've inhaled before), I won't make any promises. I know however, that I would add a certain "spice" to the student assembly. I'm currently president of the Keehn Co-Op (a cooperative living environment, not a hippie haven) and have been the representative of the Ultimate Club for the past year. I'm working for ITS (that's the computer center) and for the third year and presently hold the position of manager of the Reading Writing Center. Dr. Seuss is truly inspirational, I don't eat guavas, and dingleberries is a fun conversational topic for me.

Honor Court Rep.

Sarah Heckel '95

It has been my privilege to represent the class of 1995 for two years and having returned from a semester away I would like to continue my involvement on the Court. I believe the honor code is an integral part of the Hamilton community. The code is respected and emulated throughout the country and I will strive to continue that tradition. My goal is to maintain the integrity of the code in a fair and just manner. I would greatly appreciate your vote on election day.

Clinton little league set to swing into action this spring

To the Editor:

I was wondering if you could run the following announcement for Hamilton College employees and faculty who might have children in the area.

"Opening Day" for the registration of Clinton area youths to play organized baseball or softball this spring will take place this Saturday in the Clinton High School Cafeteria from 10 a.m. until noon.

Three other registration days have also been scheduled: Feb. 15 (6 to 8 p.m.), March 5 (hours to be announced) and March 26 (to coincide with Little League tryouts).The registration is required for youths wishing to play in t-ball, minor league and Babe Ruth baseball teams or girls softball teams.Payment is required at the time of registration. The cost is $35 per player, with a maximum charge of 70$ per family.

Registrants also should be prepared to provide the name of their family physician and medical insurance company along with proof of a player's age.

League officials are stressing this year that no youths will be added to team rosters after the final sign-up day, March 26.

In addition, for the first time this year, players and parents will be asked to sign a form listing their responsibilities as participants in the Clinton youth baseball or softball program.

Any students who feel qualified in umpiring these last games should contact Jim LoPata at 737-8824. These jobs are paying positions.

Gary Meyer (853-3368)

Jitney Schedule for the Spring Semester

Daily Schedule

Sunday	4:00pm - 9:00pm	(Last run leaves at 8:30pm)
Monday	Same as above	
Tuesday	Same as above	
Wednesday	4:00pm - 2:00am	(Last run leaves at 1:30am)
Thursday	Same as above	
Friday	Same as above	
Saturday	12:00pm - 2:00am	(Last run leaves at 1:30am)

****The Jitney drives to Sangertown Mall on Friday and Saturday Only.**

Hourly Schedule

Security Office Near Dunham	4:00 and 4:30
McEwen Circle	4:02 and 4:32
Clinton Circle (by Brooks Drug)	4:15 and 4:45
Drop-off at McEwen	4:20 and 4:50
Drop-off at Dunham	4:22 and 4:52

**** On Friday's and Saturday's the Jitney stops only at the Security Office Near Dunham for pick up and drop off every half hour.**

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If you have any questions, please call x4374

A **Pub Committee** is forming to assist with the coordination of a series of **Pub Nights** in Bristol Campus center.

Applications are now being accepted

Six positions are available.

Applications may be obtained at the Office of Student Activities, Bristol Campus Center. There is a very timely application deadline of Thursday, February 10 due to the scheduling of the first Pub Night on February 18. For more information. For more information, contact Beverly Low, Director of Student Activities, x4194

Nastasi calls for increased love of learning

Guest Columnist
David Nastasi

Rain clouded our vision as we drove up College Hill for the first time. Our car was cocooned in the warm misty green of conifers in July. Steam rolled up off the ground in little cotton tufts; the rain caught at their white translucent bodies sending them swirling up into the wind. Colonial and Victorian architecture nestled simply in the woods on either side of the road suggested an affluent harmony between man and nature. As we turned into the drive of the Admissions Building my mother murmered something about the "Ivory Tower" and education in the wilderness.

Education in the wilderness is a romantic idea; it is a noble ideal. However, luring intellectually minded students away from the centers of education, art, and living drama, to study in cultural isolation, is not an easy task. Hamilton has intelligent students (most everyone who attends Hamilton is smart), but they are students from nine in the morning to five at night. There seem to be few academics at Hamilton after the sun goes down or when the work week is over.

My initial understanding of Hamilton was not as grim as it has become. Stepping into the warm, vaguely yellow atmosphere of the Elihu Root House my aesthetic nature was rewarded. There is something wonderfully reassuring in antique furniture and oriental carpets; they make new or official places seem instantly homey and comfortable. The atmosphere in the Admissions Building was quiet and welcoming. It seemed to promise good things. My mother made friends with a woman from Washington at once, and my father set about the task of reading aloud all the informtion concerning the College and what would be expected of me here. I sat silently listening to the drone of their voices and the drum of rain splashing down metal spouts, over gutter rims, against window panes. What would they ask? How would I answer? My mind ran in little circles as I told myself not to be nervous. What if we ran out of things to say? I could see myself, sitting staring at the interviewer in nervous silence.

My interview went over the time limit by forty-five minutes. The interview was held in a little white office on the second floor of the Admissions Building. The heavily draped windows faced out through the pine needles of a closely growing evergreen to a rain drenched forest. The meeting was less of an interview and more of a battle of wits. We debated politics and religion; I was told these two topics were taboo in interviews. The subject of abortion came up, and we plowed right through it as well, politely disagreeing. Then I became impassioned. We talked about English and History and the roles they played in our lives, the importanceof the aesthetic, the desire to constantly be surrounded by beauty, to seek out beauty, to find it, and conquer it in education. I had been mesmerized by my charming interviewer. She gave the impression that Hamilton was a gentrified place, a place of culture, a scholastic environment that would enrich and reward.

We visited nine schools that summer, and out of them all I liked Hamilton the most. I still like it (it's my home), but all my illusions are gone. I no longer think Hamilton is a haven for academe. I wish it was. My expectations for Hamilton were high; my expectations for myself were higher. Anticipating an environment of heated academic debate I wondered if I was qualified. I was determined to challange myself. I thought that I would finally meet people who were passionate about knowledge, people who were here to learn for the ennobling sake of learning. I was crushed when I found that it didn't exist. My interviewer was an exception; I wanted to be an exception. Most people don't seem to care, or won't admit to caring. I'm tired of feeling guilty about asking or answering a lot of questions in class. I'm tired of the silence, the lack of debate, in our classrooms.

Hamilton has its passionate intellectuals, but they are terribly hard to find. (When I say passionate intellectuals I don't mean social aliens, people who never stop studying, or who cannot find it possible to hold a conversation. I mean people who love learning, who love conversation and debate, who become excited about music and literature.) They are loners here, you can occasionally catch them in class or wandering around campus, but they are rarely found in the heat of debate. Like some mythological animal they are always brooding somewhere in the shadows, talked about in school brochures and at faculty teas, but so rarely seen in the wields of the classroom. Showing too much emotion about any subject is a faux pas here; it bespeaks an unbalanced mind. This article, if it doesn't ostracize me socially, will probably have people questioning my sanity. I'd rather not be considered balanced if it means apathy.

I've learned that if I want mental, spiritual, cathartic stimulation I can't rely on Hamilton to help me. I never expected the school to supply me with revelations, but I thought it would aid me in discovering a way to them. Now, I wonder if it purposely hinders my way. I only have two more years as an undergraduate, and only three as a graduate student. Five years is not very long. In that time my only focus, the only thing I must do, is to concentrate on my education. Education, for me, embodies the mental, the spiritual, and the social. I want to be in an environment where there is a general drive to learn. I want an environment where there is diversity of thought, and diversity of feeling. I want that place to be Hamilton. I don't like the idea of transferring, or escaping to Europe to find the things that should be righ here. I will probably have to travel two thousand miles to meet people whom art and literature inspire. I am told by many that apathy is the norm everywhere. I don't believe that.

We are fortunate at Hamilton in that our professors are interested in us. Our classes are generally small and contact with fellow students and teachers is constant. I know that I am not alone in my feelings about Hamilton because I've discussed them both with students and members of the faculty. In fact, I had the idea for this article in my professor's den while talking with a group of seniors. Hamilton has a tradition and a reputation that we should be proud of, but that we should not fall back on. As an institution we should prepare people to be captains of industry and finance, but we should prepare them to be great artists as well, to be the masters of the intellect, and above all to be sensitive to the poetry of knowledge, the expansion of the self.

Church official outraged by Cuomo's abortion stance

To the Editor:

Governor Mario Cuomo is a major player and accomplice in the abortion tragedy. By his words and particularly by his legislative deeds, Mr. Cuomo has aligned himself with a pro-abortion agenda. Mr. Cuomo, a Catholic lawyer and former altar boy, understands the church's moral instruction about abortion. He has heard Pope John Paul's denouncement of abortion. Yet Mr. Cuomo has deliberately chosen to reject the Vicar of Christ's infallible declaration of moral law pertaining to the Fifth Commandment, i.e. you should not kill. Mr. Cuomo believes that the immoral demands of his godless constituents take precedence over his required obedience to the perfect laws of God.

Mario Cuomo wants to be governor again. His election depends on the Catholic vote. Let all Catholics finally realize that if they vote for Mr. Cuomo, they also become accomplices in the terrible abortion holocaust. As accomplices, these Catholics commit mortal sin! This precept is basic moral theology. If this mortal sin is not confessed to a Catholic priest and sincerely repented prior to death, the soul suffers for eternity in the cruel fires of hell.

Joseph E. Vallely, M. Ed.,
Counseling
Third Order Franciscan

Lane '97 advises: Using "first-year" assists in ending campus sexism

To the Editor,

I would respectfully point out to William Ferguson '95 what I believe to be an error in his argument about the use of the term "First Year" versus "Freshman."

He mentions that, "perhaps 99% of those who use the term 'freshman' do not do so with the intent of being actively belligerent toward women." However, what he fails to recognize is that perhaps the most effective forms of oppression and sexism are those which are practiced unintentionally and/or are unrecognizable to the oppressor. It is those practices which continually support male privilege.

I believe that the issue is not one which is confined to the use of certain vocabularies on college campuses, but rather the perpetuation of the use of the generic masculine which very clearly is not meant to include women. In her 1987 book, *The Dynamics of Sex and Gender: A sociological Perspective*, Laurel Richardson points to a number of studies which verify that fact that "when the generic *man* is used, people visualize men, not women...Man, then, suggests not humanity, but rather male images. Moreover, over one's lifetime, an educated American will be exposed to the prescriptive *he* more than a million times. One consequence is the exclusion of women in the visualization, imagination, and thought of males and females. Most likely this linquistic practice perpetuates in men their feelings of dominance over and responsibility for women."

And further, Mr. Ferguson's contention that we should preserve the "fresh-" prefix is questionable. Doesn't the term "First Year" also denote someone who is "fresh" to the experience?

Andrew D. Lane '97

Student Assembly

now accepting applications for

President

Class of '95

Petitions are available in the library or at the mail center. Petitions are due Feb. 10.
Send them to Kerry Mitchell through campus mail.
All entries should be 100 words or less.

Any questions...please call x1252

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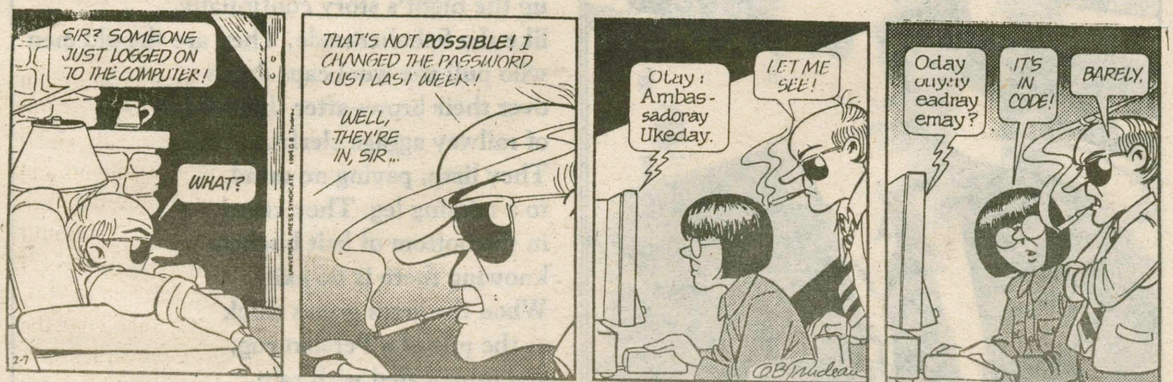
BY G.B. TRUDEAU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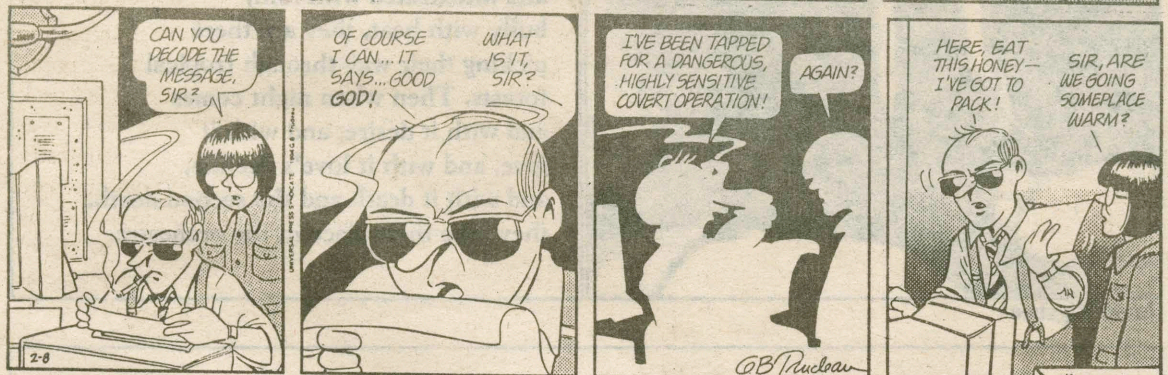
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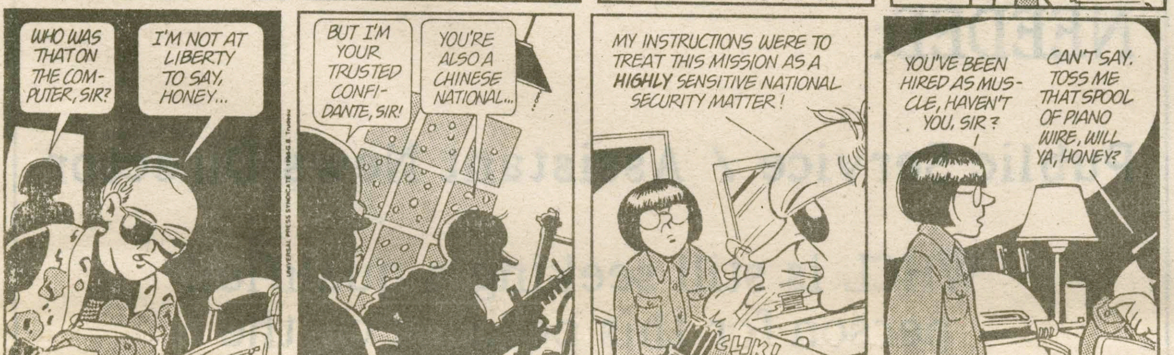
WHO WAS THAT ON THE COM-PUTER, SIR?
I'M NOT AT LIBERTY TO SAY, HONEY...
BUT I'M YOUR TRUSTED CONFI-DANTE, SIR!
YOU'RE ALSO A CHINESE NATIONAL...
MY INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO TREAT THIS MISSION AS A HIGHLY SENSITIVE NATIONAL SECURITY MATTER!
CHK!
YOU'VE BEEN HIRED AS MUS-CLE, HAVEN'T YOU, SIR?
CAN'T SAY. TOSS ME THAT SPOOL OF PIANO WIRE, WILL YA, HONEY?
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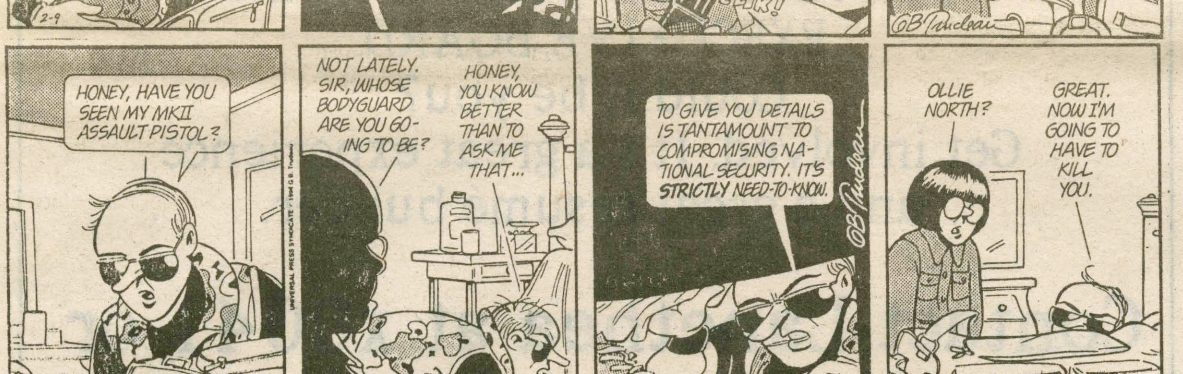
HONEY, HAVE YOU SEEN MY MKII ASSAULT PISTOL?
NOT LATELY. SIR, WHOSE BODYGUARD ARE YOU GO-ING TO BE?
HONEY, YOU KNOW BETTER THAN TO ASK ME THAT...
TO GIVE YOU DETAILS IS TANTAMOUNT TO COMPROMISING NA-TIONAL SECURITY. IT'S STRICTLY NEED-TO-KNOW.
OLLIE NORTH?
GREAT. NOW I'M GOING TO HAVE TO KILL YOU.
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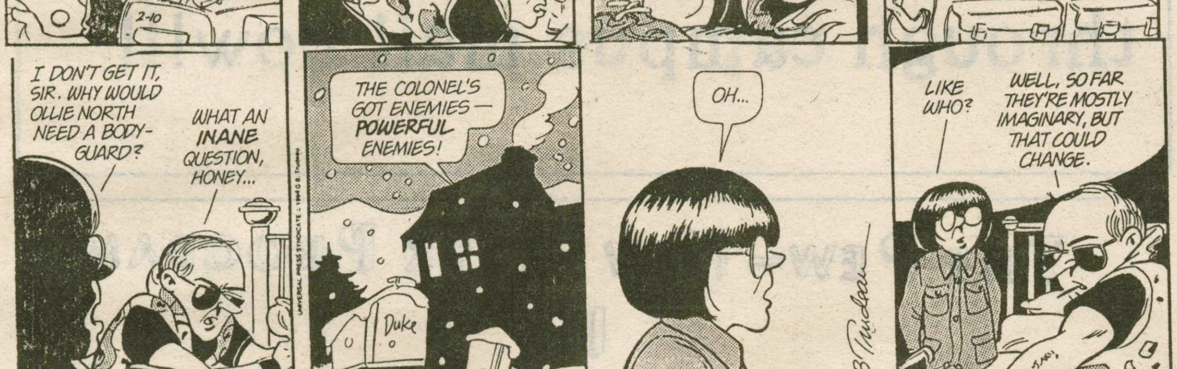
I DON'T GET IT, SIR. WHY WOULD OLLIE NORTH NEED A BODY-GUARD?
WHAT AN INANE QUESTION, HONEY...
THE COLONEL'S GOT ENEMIES — POWERFUL ENEMIES!
Duke
OH...
LIKE WHO?
WELL, SO FAR THEY'RE MOSTLY IMAGINARY, BUT THAT COULD CHANGE.
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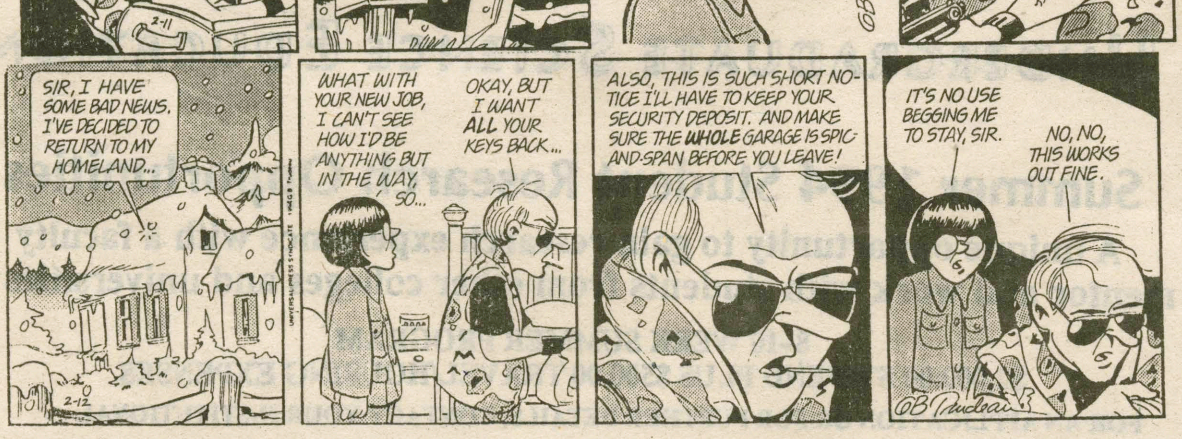
SIR, I HAVE SOME BAD NEWS. I'VE DECIDED TO RETURN TO MY HOMELAND...
WHAT WITH YOUR NEW JOB, I CAN'T SEE HOW I'D BE ANYTHING BUT IN THE WAY, SO...
OKAY, BUT I WANT ALL YOUR KEYS BACK...
ALSO, THIS IS SUCH SHORT NO-TICE I'LL HAVE TO KEEP YOUR SECURITY DEPOSIT. AND MAKE SURE THE WHOLE GARAGE IS SPIC-AND-SPAN BEFORE YOU LEAVE!
IT'S NO USE BEGGING ME TO STAY, SIR.
NO, NO, THIS WORKS OUT FINE.
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Personals

Courtenay Moore—
Happy 22nd Birthday, Ed! Don't be too crazy.
—Your dinner crew & KFC

Geek—
Happy Birthday.
Love always, Stallion

To DEER Abey, Cho. Pudría, and Black Sheep—

It has been a great three weeks—especially the weekends (hiccup). This semester will prove to be a trying one in more ways than one, but with us four living under the same roof, nothing is impossible. Keep the faith of Hook, Line, and Sinker. Watch for things that go BONK in the night i.e. (P**IES). I'm looking forward to many more weeks of disgustingness. WHATEVER!!!

Love always, The All-Nighter Queen

ASV—
Evurgreen! No—guess it's not butterfly! See you ... today!
—The other crossword junkie

Eloise—

The crickets will always chirp for you but, if they sound distant, play DM and please think of me.

Love always, The Little Prince

ADVICE for Bennett:

- wake up early
- wait for intersections
- stay between white lines
- avoid STAKE BAKES!!

—Krazy Trein

Princess Pamela—
Open your eyes to this, you bird: I LOVE YOU!
—Tigger

JNC—

I'm so glad things are going better than they were a few days ago. Hang in there, sweetie. Remember what I told you. You'll be so happy when all this is over—and the results will be worth all your hard work. Relax and take a very deep breath. You are wonderful and don't forget it!

—Me

To Vic Rodriguez—

Patience is a virtue especially after a night of heavy drinking and at 4 a.m. Thanxs for two nights of wonderful conversation. Stay sweet and don't ever change.

Love, The Talkative One

Virdi—

Were you serious? Why don't you come visit me late at night anymore?

Laura—

Thanks for being a great friend. I want to hang with your mommy this weekend.

To the beautiful one in Bundy land—
I've tried to get your love with all I can.
But to me you give not a glance,
So I'll continue my endless trance.
But if it's me you should ever desire,
Like the Doors, you can light my fire!

Bubba—

I love you the mostest infinity forever, and I don't want to hear any more about it! The past few years have been wonderful and I can't wait to spend the rest of our lives together—hopefully starting next year. Have a wonderful Valentines Day. I'll be thinking of you and missing you ...

Forever and Always, Faith

Mom—

Thanks so much for coming up this weekend. We three ladies are going to have a blast! I love you berry, berry, berry, berry, berry much. You are the greatest!

Love, Your Eldest "Kid"

Peaches—

Hello, beautiful. One more crazy week gone by. Time is truly flying now. Get ready for a *fantastic* time on Saturday. Thanks for being you. I love you.

—Muffin

Dear Sebastian—

Just writing to say good luck riding the wagon, old man. They may have thought that you were a dipso, but I always had faith. We'll have martinis or some single malt and celebrate.

Your friend, as ever, Charles Ryder

Visiting Assistant Professor of English David Rigsbee to read from his poetry

David Rigsbee, a visiting professor in the Hamilton College Department of English, will read from his work on Monday, February 7, at 8 p.m. in the Dwight Lounge of the Bristol Campus Center.

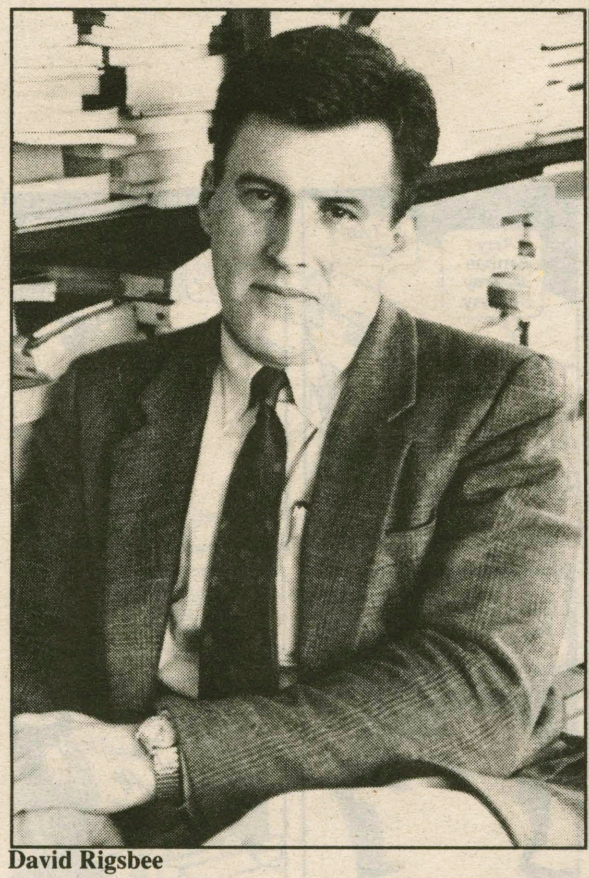
Rigsbee is the author of five books, most recently *Your Heart Will Fly Away* (1992), a collection of poems nominated for the Pulitzer Prize and the William Carlos Williams Award of the Poetry Society of America. He is the winner of the 1993 Vachel Lindsay Poetry Prize, as well as a Randall Jarrell International Poetry Prize (1992) and an award from the American Academy of Poets (1992).

Rigsbee's poems have appeared in over 200 publications, including *The American Poetry Review, The New Yorker, Poetry and The Southern Review*. In addition, he is the author of three forthcoming books: two collections of poems and a book of photographs and prose. He is the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, the Djerassi Foundation and the Virginia Commission on the Arts.

Rigsbee is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has done graduate work in creative writing, philosophy and English at The Johns Hopkins University, Hollins College and The University of Virginia. In addition to his work as a poet, he has also worked as an editor and director of St. Andrews Press and translator of Russian poetry, most notably of the poems of Nobel-laureate Joseph Brodsky.

Rigsbee has taught widely at such places as the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Louisiana State University, Virginia Tech, The University of Virginia and St. Andrews College, where he also served as associate dean of the college.

The reading is free and open to the public and a reception will follow.



David Rigsbee

Crickets

They are without memory, making
up the night's story continually,
like the Scheherazade. They are the old men
who pull the wool caps down
over their brows after the fashion
of railway aggage clerks.
They limp, paying no mind
to a missing leg. They crawl
in the bottom of bait buckets
knowing there is no exit.
When the grass grows thick
as the pile of a Persian rug,
and intoxicated with rain,
bully with heat, they are there
picking their way through tropical
forests. Then when night comes
and with it desire, and with it
love, and with it love's decline,
and with it death and the second death,
they take their place in the orchestra.

Pulitzer Prize Recipient N. Scott Momaday presents his world premiere play

Syracuse Stage will present a second world premiere play this season, *The Indolent Boys* written by Pulitzer Prize winning author N. Scott Momaday, from February 8 through March 6. This new play directed by Gitta Honegger is cosponsored by Hiscock and Barclay, Attorneys at Law and Key Bank. Stage's first world premiere was Cheryl L. West's *Holiday Heart* directed by Tazewell Thompson.

This powerful new play is based on a wrenching incident in Native American history which is still recorded in the calendars of the Kiowa people, and lives on in their memory. Using vibrant poetic language, laced with a wry sense of humor, Momaday tells of three boys and their desperate attempt to survive as Indians, shedding light on the neglected aspects of the Indian Boarding School system, and raising questions about education in our society.

N. Scott Momaday is a poet, novelist and a playwright. *The Indolent Boys*, Momaday's first play, received its first staged reading at Harvard. His novel *House Made of Dawn* (Harper and Row) won the Pullitzer Prize in 1969. Some of his other works include: *The Complete Poems Of Frederick Goddard Tuckerman* (New York: Harper & Row), *The Way To Rainy Mountain* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press) and *The Gourd Dancer* (Harper & Row). In his writings Momaday records the oral history he has heard all his life. *The Indolent Boys* is a transcription of this tradition.

Director Gitta Honegger initiated the Native American Theatre Project at Harvard under the sponsorship of their Native American Program. Honegger, who also directed the Harvard reading, is Chair of the Drama Department at Catholic University. For ten years she served as resident dramaturg at Yale Repertory Theatre. Her directing credits include Bernard Pomerance's *Melons*, Vaclav Havel's *Largo Desolato*, and Arthur Schnitzler's *Intermezzo*. Honegger has written about the theatre and theatre related issues, particularly the need for Native American representation in American theatre.

Actors for this performance include Cing Valdes/Aran, Robert Hogan, Kelly Morgan, Twyla Hafermann, Jonathan Fisher, Gordon Tootoosis and Terry Tsotigh. Ten local children are featured in the production, eight of which are Native American. Atsabetsaye (Seb) Schenandoah and Stewart and Brandon Homer are from the Oneida Nation; from the Onondaga Nation school are Weheh Myers and Owen White; and Justin Alexander, Gabrial Tarbell, Robert Mendoza and Oliver and Ryan Cabilles are all from the Syracuse City Schools.

Tickets for *The Indolent Boys* are available at the Syracuse Stage Box Office, 820 East Genesee Street or by calling (315) 443-3275. Prices range from $18 to $29. Discounts are available for groups, seniors and students.

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Award-Winning Pianist Lisa Spector to perform works by Chopin

Syracuse native Lisa Spector, an award-winning pianist residing in the San Francisco Bay Area, will return to the Upstate New York area for a lecture-recital on Saturday, February 5, at 8 p.m. in the Chapel.

The concert, "Women as Composers of Classical Music," is free for those holding a Hamilton College ID and $10 for the general public.

A former member of the faculty at Santa Clara University, Spector has won several prestigious national piano competitions, including the New York and Los Angeles Chopin competitions. Named the Dewar's "Outstanding Young Artist of the Year" in 1989, she was the only American to advance to the semifinals in the 1992 International Chopin Competition.

The recipient of a bachelor's degree in piano performance from the Juilliard School in 1983, Spector earned her master's degree, also in piano performance, from the University of Southern California three years later. She has been featured throughout the U.S. and abroad, including performances with the National Symphony, the Aspen Symphony, the Santa Barbara Symphony, the Syracuse Symphony and the Corpus Christi Symphony.

During a recent concert tour, one critic wrote: "The audience, seemingly unable to contain its delight and appreciation of the stellar performance by Spector, burst into applause and then gave her a standing ovation before the piece was finished. In theatrical language — she stopped the show."

Other critics have described her as showing "great brilliance, sensitivity, and power" and someone who has a "commanding presence on stage" and "exceptional interpretative powers."

The recital at Hamilton will feature works by Marianne Martinez, Cecile Chaminade, Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel, Judith Zaimont, Mrs. H.H.A. Beach, Louise Talma and Clara Schumann. Spector will also perform Fréderic Chopin's Nocturne, Op. 48 No. 1, c minor to showcase the nocturne form. The recital will conclude with Fantasies, Op. 116 by Johannes Brahms, a close friend of Clara Schumann.

Sculpture Space Inc. of Utica hosts African dance band

Sculpture Space Inc. of Utica announces its annual cutting-edge Winter Dance Party featuring global entertainment in a local surrounding.

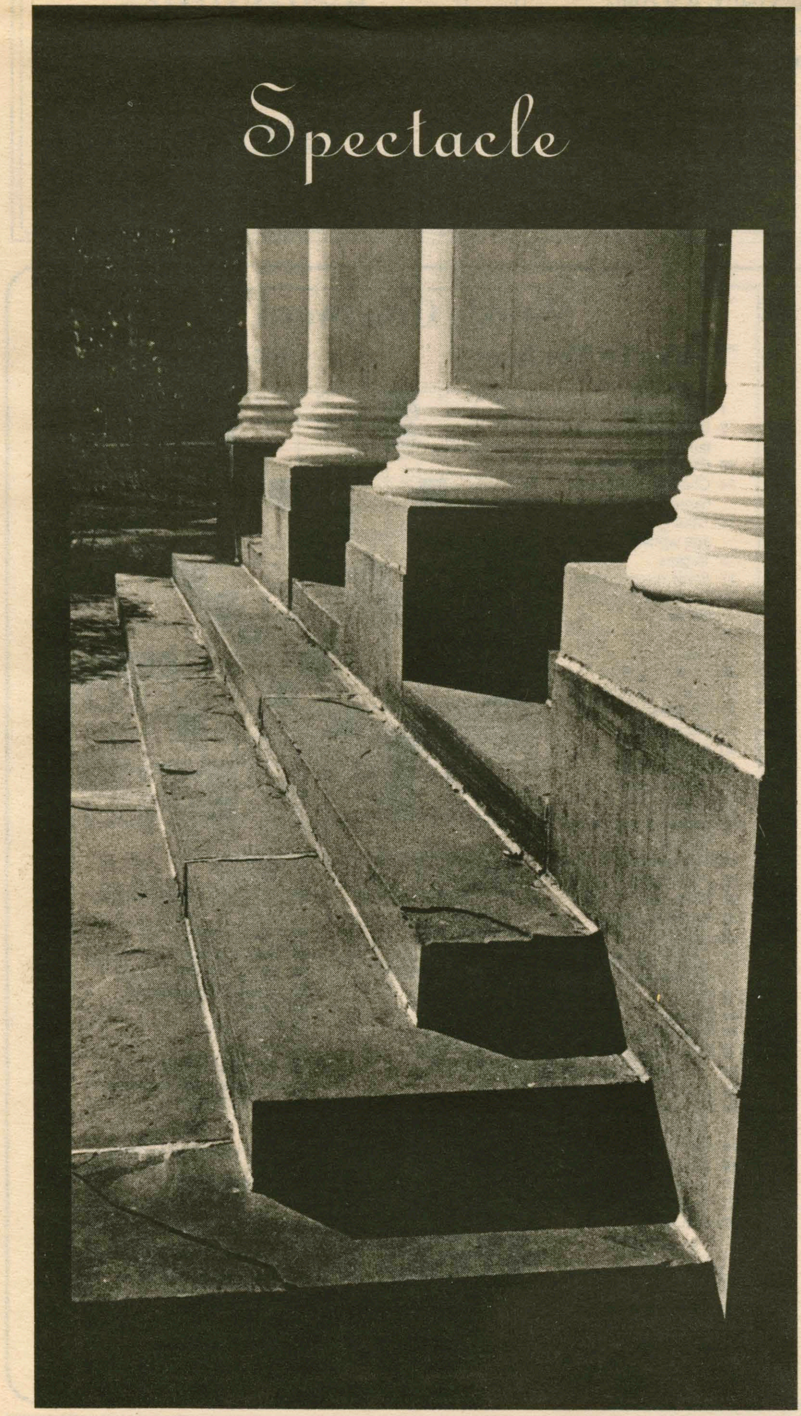
Winter "MELTDOWN" will be held at Sculpture Space on Whitesboro Street on Saturday, February 5th at 9 p.m. sharp. Performing *Live* Djoliba (jo-lee-ba), an 8-piece percussion and *Afro-pop* dance band making their first Mohawk Valley appearance.

Banging out hot African dance music, *Djoliba* features a crowd-pleasing percussion set, sure to set fire to your children bones. The 8-piece group uses traditional African instruments such as the *Djembe, Dun-Dun* and *Talking Drums*. *Djoliba* fills out its full sound of hot dance music with guitar, bass, drum, keyboard and trumpet.

Lansana Kouyaté, the leader of *Djoliba* comes from Guinea, West Africa. His style of music blends traditional and modern elements of African music. His use of electric guitar enhances and redefines many elements of the music, while still maintaining its authenticity. Kouyaté has toured the globe, singing and dancing at numerous international music events in Africa, Holland, Europe and recently in Toronto at Peter Gabriel's WOMAD Festival.

Currently based in Rochester, Kouyaté and his band *Djoliba* have performed at many venues including Montage '93, The Horizontal Boogie Bar, the Harro East Theater and the Pyramid Art Center.

Admission for the event is $9.00 with a cash bar, snacks and enough heat to melt away the winter blues. All proceeds from the evening will benefit the Artists Residency Fund at Sculpture Space.



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Music Notebook

Brian Glaser '94

Lou Reed once said, "You can't beat two guitars, bass and drums." But that was a long time ago in New York, and in the here-and-now of Olympia, Washington, people aren't buying.

Up there in Olympia, Calvin Johnson runs his own label, K Records, and is calling for a new revolution. "Make Love Rock Not War" is the battle cry, and Johnson's label is lopping the corners off of Reed's tidy guitars-bass-drums square.

At the front of the revolution is Calvin's own band, Beat Happening. Along with band-mates Bret and Heather, Beat Happening make uncluttered, unpolished pop-punk-rock with just a guitar, drums and a voice. Some call the music "child-like and innocent," but that's only true insofar as the band attacks music without caring about following the rules. Lyrically, Calvin's grave-robber baritone moans about hangmen and haunted hives, while Heather sing-songs rhymes about knick-knacks and tiger traps.

On first listen, the music sounds crude and bottomless. It is, but only because Beat Happening eschew studio polish and bass-lines. Deeper down, tunes like "Indian Summer" and "Other Side" are masterful songcraft, evoking clear lyric images with incredibly sympathetic musical accompaniment. When Calvin sings, "We'll come back for Indian Summer/And go our separate ways," the rough ring of velvety guitar and minimalist rhythm sound like a hopeful picnic doused in rain.

Beyond his own musical output, Calvin is the meticulous chronicler of the Love Rock Revolution. The K Records roster doesn't have a strict unity of sound, but all of the bands have their own peculiar way of approaching punk rock: not with the capital P of Punk's LoudFastRules, but with the punk attitude of making music your own way, on your own terms.

K's most recent release is from Canada's Mecca Normal. Going Beat Happening one better, Mecca Normal chops off the bass and the drums, making a band out of one electric guitar and one hellfire voice. On Flood Plain, vocalist Jean Smith twists her voice-box around angry poetry, while David Lester throws his guitar all around the space normally occupied by a multi-instrument band. Somehow, the duo doesn't lose rhythm, melody or bite with this attack, but instead make their music more immediate: there's nowhere for the listener to hide.

Tiger Trap reflects another take on the K philosophy. While they stay within some of the standard punk-pop traditions like catchy choruses, deep harmonies and a melodic bass-drums-guitar axis, they dive head-first into one of the big "don'ts" of indie rock: no men, no male point of view. Their new Sour Grass EP is a guitar-driven disc that looks at love from a completely female perspective, never worrying what the boys might think. Tiger Trap's songs may sound like simple Love Pop, but they let an earnest emotional complexity break through the low-budget pop sheen.

The rest of the K catalog is equally impressive, and a quick listen to groups like Some Velvet Sidewalk and Bikini Kill will make it clear why Nirvana's Kurt Cobain got the K Records logo tattooed on his arm in high school. The music is honest and uncompromising, and rarely sounds like anything the big labels are spewing into the 120 Minutes market. K Records wants Revolution Now, and if they don't quite manage to save the world, at least the planet will be a little more fun.

For more information on the K Records catalog, write them at: K, Box 7154, Olympia, WA 98507.

Abbey of St. Gall Exhibition at the Gallery closes on the 20th

"The Abbey of St. Gall: A Cultural Center," an exhibition celebrating one of Europe's oldest and most important monasteries currently on display at Hamilton College's Emerson Gallery, will close on Sunday, February 20. This date is one week earlier than previously announced.

The exhibition presents the long history of the Swiss abbey, a renowned center of learning, scholarship and artistic production since its founding in the eight century. Illustrated text panels and facsimile reproductions of rare illuminated manuscripts, ivory reliefs and architectural sculpture are part of the exhibition.

Calendar & Movies

4 Friday

12:00 **Frencg Table.** McCewen Cofeehouse

7:30 **Film:** What's Love Got to Do With It? Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.

8:00 **"A Night of Women's Music."** Shawn Colvin, Jaque and Joyce and Patty Griffin. Wellin Hall. $

5 Saturday

8:00 **GRE Exam**. Chemistry Aud.

7:30 **Film:** What's Love Got to Do With It? Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.

8:00 **Lecture Recital.** "Women as Composers of Classical Music." Lisa Spector, Piano. Chapel.

6 Sunday

11:30 **Community Church** (Protes**tant**). Jana J. Roche, "No Need to Being Going So Fast." Chapel

12:00 **Hillel Brunch.** Azel Backus House.

1:00 **Newmann Mass** Father John Croghan. Chapel. Chapel.

2:00 **Historical Tour of the College.** By William J. Ferguson. Meet at the Chapel.

7:30 **Film:** What's Love Got to DO With It? Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.

7 Monday

2:00 **European University Representative.** (24-hour advance sign-up required) Career Center.

3:00& **College Course 300 Films:**
7:30 **F.W. Murnau,** Sunrise. Kirner Johnson Auditorium.

7:00 **ACOA** (Adult Children of Alcoholics) Meeting. Penney Room, Bristol Campus Center.

7:00 **Cover Letter Workshop.** (24-hour advance sign-up required) Career Center. Room 242 K-J.

8:00 **Poetry Reading.** David Rigsbee. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center.

8 Tuesday

12:00 **Newman Mass**. Father John Croghan. Chapel.

5:30 **Chinese Table.** Room 104 McEwen.

8:00 **AAUP Journal Club Lecture**. "What Hamilton Faculty Really Want" Daniel Chambliss. Assembly Room, Bristol Campus Center.

9 Wednesday

12:00 **Spanish Table.** Balcony, Commons Dining Facility.

3:00& **College Course 300 Films:** Josepf
7:30 Von Sternberg,,The Blue Angel Kirner-Johnson, Aud.

7:00 **Resume Workshop.** (24-hour advance sign-up required) Career Center. Room 242 K-J.

7:00 **Hamilton College Academic Year in Spain Summer Institute of Hispanic Studies General Information Meeting.** Santiago Tejerina-Canal. Video presentation included, and refreshments (including Spanish Tortillas) will be served. REd Pit, K_J.

8:00 **Lecture.** "Staying Alive Until You Die." Tony Campolo, Eastern College. Chapel.

10 Thursday

12:00 **Newman Mass**. Father John Croghan. Chapel.

4:15 **Focus on Africa Lecture.** "The Church and Human Rights in Brundi." J. Alfred Ndoricimpa, United Methodist Bishop of Brundi. Red Pit, K-J

7:00 **Hamilton Environmental Action Group Meeting.** Keehn TV Lounge.

8:00 **Peer Advising Film.** When Hary Met Sally. K-J Aud.

9:00 **Alternative Break Benefit Concert.** Events Barn. $$$

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My Father The Hero 1:10 4:20 7:10 9:50
Philadelphia 12:30 3:30 6:30 9:30
Mrs. Doubtfire 12:35 3:35 6:35 9:25
Schindler's List 12:00 4:00 8:00
Grumpy Old Men 12:45 3:45 6:45 9:20
Blink 1:00 3:40 7:00 10:00

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

Mrs. Doubtfire 2:00 7:00 9:00

Up Town 797-0020

Wayne's World 2 7:00 9:00
Jurassic Park 7:15 9:30
Joy Luck Club 7:30

On Campus

What's Love Got to Do With It?
Fri., Sat., Sun., @7:30

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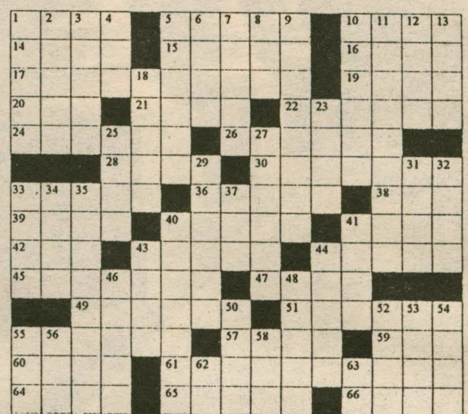
Weekly Crossword

" Going To The Dogs "

By Gerry Frey



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60 Peace bird
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29 Humble
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32 OK city
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37 Citrus drink
40 *Canine cartoon character*
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53 Chemical compound
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55 Norse god
56 Strike a _____
58 Peter Pan's pirate
62 Precedes List or lar:eye
63 Proofs of age

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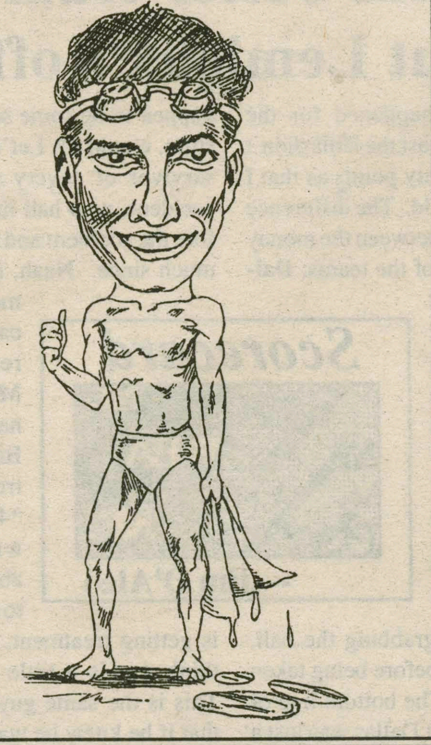
Quotable Quote

" A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down. "

Robert Benchley



The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Jacob Michlewicz

100 m Butterfly vs. Union

NCAA Division III Qualifier: 1:55.79

—CARICATURE BY MAX BRACE

The Hamilton men's swimming team continues to record an amazing season. Balance and depth keep the team undefeated this far into the season, and Jacob Michlewicz deserves credit for his outstanding contributiuons. The powerful butterflyer swam a 1:55.79 last weekend against Union. His time earned him a berth in the NCAA Dividion III championship meet, and more importantly, helped his team in route to its biggest victory of the season. Micklewicz, along with his four school swimming records, certainly will prove to be a deciding factor at the State Meet next weekend. Congratulations, Jacob. You are the Garden Cafe's Athlete of the Week!

The All New Garden Café Restaurant and Strider's Lounge, located at 354A Norton Avenue at the Corner of Route 5, guarantees good food and great times. The Café is open 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Mon, Thurs-Sun. Tuesday hours are 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The Garden Cafe serves pizza, chicken wings, subs, and a late night breakfast. Hamilton students showing I.D. receive ten percent off at all times. Delivery (1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) - Call 853-4571.

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week receives a free pizza with the works courtesy of The Garden Café and its owner Tony Urbanowitz.

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Jack Fortney

Last weekened at the Hamilton Invitational, Jack Fortney '94 turned in a stellar performance in the 35-pound weight throw. The team leader in the fireld events, Fortney managed a toss of 14. 68 meters, earning him second placein the event. The state-qualifier's finish was the highest overall for the Continentals against tough competition. Way to go, Jack!

Men's squash raids Colgate: blanks woeful pretenders

By Eric Gershon '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The revamped men's squash team, which lost five players to term abroad programs, visited nearby Colgate University on Saturday morning and returned by early afternoon with a 9-0 victory. The win improves the Hamilton record to 7-3 and places the team within three victories of a guaranteed .500 record and an invitation to Team Intercollegiates at Yale University at the end of February.

Sophomores Stoyko Nikolov and Tripp Ridder and firstyear Eric Gershon and Chris Toomey have joined the team to complete the fragmented roster. Said coach Laurie Whitsel in regard to the lost and found squad, "We're further along at this point than I'd expected us to be. Army (at Hobart tomorrow) will be a real test. If we beat them then we deserve to go to nationals. If we don't, it's going to be a long road ahead."

The Colgate squash program is not an official sport of the university after having been cut to meet budgetary needs, and therefore receives little funding. Dressed in ragtag, makeshift outfits that didn't coordinate in style or color (baggy maroon lacrosse shorts coupled with a multi-colored concert t-shirt and black vest for the number one seed) the Colgate team encouraged a low-intensity environment from the onset, arriving at the team introduction ceremonies late and giggling throughout. After the ceremony, Coach Whitsel urged her players to concentrate despite the "laid-back attitude" of their adversaries, reminding them of imminent February 5 matches against Army and Hobart squads.

In the first round of matches Saturday, supple-wristed number two seed Mark Mijangos eliminated his opponent and former high school classmate in three games. Number four and six seeds, Avery Cook and Doug Prezzano respectively, also defeated their opponents swiftly. Prezzano made effective use of his drop shot and dropped his opponend in three swift games, 15-1, 15-2, 15-3. Peter Stein, Hamilton's eight seed, persevered in a 2-2- tie-breaker match point to claim a 3-2 victory over the Colgate contender, despite and injured left hand.

Number one seed Scott Tucker made his return to Hamilton squash after being unable to compete during the early stages of the season due to a torn ligament in his left foot. Tucker defeated his disheveled opponent with ease. Three seed Mark Havens, five seed Ashok Childs, seven seed Mills Chapman and nine seed Stoyko Nikolov also won matches.

Hamilton brought all twelve of its players to the Colgate match, even though only the top nine matches are counted in final scoring. Colgate recycled its ten and two seed players to compensate for the difference. The Colgate ten seed lost both of his matches to ten and twelve seeds, Tripp Ridder and Chris Toomey, who had hitherto been virgins to intercollegiate squash play. Colgate's two seed returned to the court after his defeat to Mijangos to win in three games (15-7, 15-7, 15-4) against Hamilton eleven seen Eric Gershon, who also played his first intercollegiate match.

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Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Basketball		▨ Oneonta 8:00				Rochester 8:00	
Women's Basketball		Williams 7:30			S.U.N.Y. Utica 7:00		Utica College 6:00
Men's Ice Hockey	▨ UMass-Boston 7:30	▨ Salem 2:00					
Men's Squash		Hobart w/Army 12:00					
Women's Squash	Mt. Holyoke Tournament 6:00						
Swimming		Vassar 2:00					
Indoor Track & Field		Cortland Invit. 11:00					

▨ Indicates Home Game

☐ Indicates Away Game

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NCAA Basketball					
Tulsa at Bradley 2/5	Bradley	Tulsa	Tulsa	Bradley	Tulsa
Old Dominion at James Madison 2/8	Old Dominion	James Madison	James Madison	James Madison	Old Dominion
Western Kentucky at S.W. La. 2/5	S.W. La.	S.W. La	W. Kentucky	W. Kentucky	W. Kentucky
B.Y.U. at Colorado St. 2/5	Colorado St.	B.Y.U	B.Y.U	Colorado St.	Colorado St.
U.N.C.-Charlotte at Charleston 2/7	U.N.C.C.	U.N.C.C.	U.N.C.C.	U.N.C.C.	U.N.C.C.
Virginia Tech at Southern Miss. 2/5	Southern Miss	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Southern Miss
Michigan at Michigan State 2/5	M.S.U.	U of M	U of M	U of M	U of M
UMass at Kentucky 2/6	Kentucky	Kentucky	Kentucky	UMass	UMass
Syracuse at Pittsburgh 2/5	Pittsburgh	Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse	Pittsburgh
Missouri at Oklahoma 2/5	Missouri	Missouri	Oklahoma	Missouri	Oklahoma
West Virginia at Marquette 2/6	Marquette	Marquette	West Virginia	Marquette	Marquette
Virginia at Florida State 2/6	Florida St.	Florida St.	Virginia	Florida St.	Florida St.
U.A.Birmingham at DePaul 2/9	DePaul	U.A.B.	DePaul	U.A.B.	U.A.B.

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Penguins better team without Lemieux's offense

Scorecard

---Jim D'Aleo

NFL: Well, it happened for the fourth time. At least the **Bills** didn't lose by over twenty points as that I thought they would. The difference in this game was between the money players for each of the teams; **Dallas' Emmitt Smith** and the Bills' **Thurman Thomas**. Smith rushed for 132 yards and grabbed the MVP award. Thomas ran for barely over the last two digits of Smith's numbers and had trouble grabbing the ball. His two fumbles before being taken out was costly. The bottom line of this game was that Dallas was just a better team. The Bills are not the same team that went to the Super Bowl four years ago. The sad fact, however, is that the Bills will probably make it back to the Super Bowl again and, of course, lose again... **Norv Turner** didn't take too long to find a new job. The Cowboys' assistant coach signed a contract to coach the **Washington Redskins**. Isn't there an understood rule that says assistant coaches shouldn't take jobs with other teams in their divisions?...

NHL: Every day we get to read a new story about **Mario Lemieux's** comeback and when he will finally return to the ice. When will people just leave it alone? It may sound a little harsh, but the **Penguins** are doing fine without him. They are two points ahead in the Northeast Division. If and when he does eventually make it back, I could envision him hurting the team. They obviously have a good chemistry going right now and his presence will hurt that. His offensive threat will not help the team enough to warrant hurting its setup... I guess we'll now see how good the **Florida Panthers** really are. Star goaltender **John Vanbiesbrouck** will be out for at least ten days after his hand was cut when being skated over. He has been playing out of his mind all season. Florida will be hard pressed to win without him holding the opposition to three goals every game. If they get out of it all right though, watch out for them in playoffs, when defense and goaltending is the name of the game.

NBA: What was going through the minds of All-Star team voters this season? **B.J. Armstrong**, while a pretty good player, has absolutely no business being a starter in the All-Star game. **Dominique Wilkins** has an average of four more rebounds per game and eight more points. Without Wilkins, the **Atlanta Hawks** would not be leading the Central. I wish voters would get over the **Bulls** infatuation and actually vote for those who deserve it...

MLB: The **Yankees** signed **Bob Ojeda** over the weekend to a minor league contract. Now, this wouldn't happen to be some sort of publicity stunt, would it? Let's see. The lone survivor of a very public boating accident, who had hurt his arm before the accident and has not pitched much since. Naah, it could just be me being cynical... *USA Today* reported that **Mickey Mantle** has checked into Betty Ford to get treatment for a "43-year battle with alcohol abuse." It's great to see that Mantle is getting treatment, but don't you think this is a little long overdue. This is the same guy who has said that if he knew he was going to live this long, he would have taken better care of himself. Any story about him is connected in some way with his drinking. This is something that should have happened a long time ago...

NCAA: For all of you looking to see who the number one team in the nation is, stop! The only standings that have any meaning right now are the conference standings. The Big East is going to be interesting this season. **Syracuse**, who recently lost to **Providence**, beat **UConn**, who came into the game undefeated in the conference and 18-1 overall. The middle echelon teams, **Georgetown**, **Boston College** and **Pittsburgh**, are all playing decently. Maybe this will be the year the Big East does some damage in the tournament...

MISCELLANEOUS: I was trying to avoid mentioning the **Tonya Harding-Nancy Kerrigan** situation, but the story will not just go away. In case you didn't hear, Harding's ex-husband pled guilty to racketeering in connection with the assault and claimed that Harding was in on it from the beginning. This will intensify the demands that Harding be taken off of the Olympic team. My opinion on the matter is that if she is indicted or seems close to it, she will be taken off of the team. Whether that is the right course or not is a question I cannot answer. The course that would make the most sense for the USOC would be to drop Harding right before the deadline for setting the team. That way, even if she does appeal, it will go through after the competition has started, meaning she is knocked out of the competition. No matter what happens in her case, Harding has lost her chance to skate, probably deservedly so... Tonya Harding is even getting blasted by famous bad boys. The following quote was reported in two major magazines, "I was going to sue her for defamation of character, but then I realized that I have no character." Yes, it was **Charles Barkley** responding to Harding calling herself the Charles Barkley of figure skating. At least when Sir Charles gets into fights, its in bars with no weapons...

Athletic/Academic Aspirations in Div. III

Sport Editor's Note: This column will be a weekly column voicing enlightened opinions on the world of sports. Contributions will be accepted from members of the campus community. For more information, contact the *Spectator* through campus mail or by phone at x4100.

Written By Sports Editor Jack R. Selby

Recently, while browsing the bulliten board outside the athletic offices, I inadvertently overheard a conversation between a Hamilton coach and a perspective student for the Class of '98. Admittedly, I only heard fragments of the discussion, but what I did catch, I vividly remember.

"I know the (application) deadline has passed. Don't worry about it."

"What are your S.A.T. scores...well, that seems ballpark."

"You just get it (the application) in, and I will go over to admissions and work on it."

No talk of exchanged money, nor of cars, or phony employment, or free trips, but then again, this is Hamilton, not U.N.L.V., or Texas A&M, or Auburn. Hamilton never fills 75,000 capacity seat stadiums for any sport, much less for all sports combined in the last four decades, and never competes for the national championship in anything athletic. Instead Hamilton, the small New England liberal arts school, likes to modify itself with adjectives like "fine", or even "exclusive", and rightfully so.

However, in light of the former Dean of Admissions' "resignation effective immediately", the acceptance rate ballooning by almost twenty percent over the last four years, and multiple academic casualties last semester, my eavesdropping seemed timely. What role should athletics play at a liberal arts college aspiring for the upper echelon of the most elite small schools in the country? This question delves deeper than the *U.S.News & World Report* rankings, for at a school where such a significant amount of the student body participates in varsity sports, the relationship between academics, athletics, and admissions standards perhaps needs to be re-evaluated.

Hamilton needs to win first and foremost in the classroom. At the Division III level, the ideal balance between excellence in academics and athletics exists, after swallowing all pride, at Williams. The new address of our old president built a national reputation first with a rigorous curriculum, excellent professors, and extreme expectations. Why must Hamilton endure chants of "safety school" and still lose consistently in all sports to the Purple Ephs? Academic excellence opens the door for athletic superiority at the Division III level, not vica versa. Only so many qualified student/athletes filter down from Division I physical standards to field solid programs at lower levels of competition. Added academic standards add only another variable to the problem. Williams has solved this problem. Hamilton has not.

For example, NESCAC now allows conference members to participate in post season play. For Hamilton, and other schools relegated to the back of the academic pack in the conference, the quest to be the best academically is only further subordinated by athletic intentions. The emphasis on winning belongs on exams, not games, and the reverse logic perpetuated by the conference only further separates the rich from the poor. Priorities must be re-examined. Williams can afford the luxury of post-season play. Hamilton can not.

The value of athletics remains indisputable. The personal skills developed through varsity participation provide the perfect compliment to a well-rounded liberal arts education. This worth needs adequate respect, as do academic standards. Compromising the latter for the former undermines the goals of the college and the students whose degree will bear its name.

Lord Jeffes rule Continental court

By Kevin Cloutier '94
Sports Staff Writer

Continuing a hard-luck tradition against tough NESCAC rivals, the men's basketball team fell behind to a good Amherst team and watched a late rally fall just short. Winning their first game against a Continental basketball team since World War II, the Lord Jeffs simply outshot Hamilton. Amherst finished last Saturday's game having shot 48 percent from the floor, while Hamilton shot just 34 percent. This cold-shooting has plagued the Continentals throughout the season and was particularly noticeable in Hamilton's two big guns, Erin McCann '95 and Fran D'Agata '95. Usually consistent scorers, the two jumpshooters made a combined 9 for 33 from the floor. With that sort of production coming from the first and third leading scorers on the team, a victory against a good team is tough to come by.

The Continentals definitely played tough as witnessed by their late rally, but Amherst displayed too much offensive balance. When the Lord Jeffs increased their lead to 13 at 71-58 with only 7:02 left in the second half, the game looked over. However, a series of tough defense and quick transition buckets capped by D'Agata's running jumper cut Amherst's lead to three at 79-76. This was as close a Hamilton would get in these waning minutes as costly turnovers and good free-throw shooting sealed the victory for the visiting Lord Jeffs. Amherst was led by forward Jay Moore's 23 points and 11 rebounds, guard Ben Batory's 20 points, and big Josh Hammermesh's 14 points and 12 rebounds. Hammermesh said after the game the boisterous Hamilton diehards "only fired him up." For Hamilton, Joe Mrozeinski '96 led the way with 21 points, while D'Agata and McCann chipped in 15 and 10 respectively. Guard Kori Brown '95, who should be noted for his fantastic all-around play, finished with 7.

With the realization that six losses has probably removed them from NCAA tournament contention, the Continentals traveled across town to face Utica College on Wednesday night. Turnovers were the story of this sloppy game at UC's Clark Athletic Center as Hamilton finished with 31. The Continentals were able to withstand a late Utica rally to hold on for a 81-75 victory. The Continentals led 35-26 at the half and 63-54 at the 7:16 mark before Utica jumped right back into the game. Led by Mohawk Community College transfer Joe Sullivan, who finished with 23 points and 9 rebounds, Utica actually found the lead at 69-68 with 3:24 remaining. A Hamilton free-throw knotted the score at 69 when Kori Brown struck from three-point land to put the Continentals up with 1:40. Scott Pace '96 then converted eight straight free-throws to seal the victory for Hamilton.

Defense collapses in two defeats

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Lloyd Polanish's stick. Polanish stuffed the puck into the empty net for his seventh goal of the season and a 1-0 lead.

Seven and a half minutes later, the Continentals made it 2-0 when Brian Green put in the rebound off of a Carl Greenhaus slap shot. That power play goal was Green's eighth of the season. The Continentals seemed to be dominating the game at this point, but then the dam broke. AIC scored three unanswered goals to finish the first period. Starting goaltender Kendall Brook looked shaky in his first back to back series. Those three goals came on only eight shots, not the percentage Coach Phil Grady was hoping for.

The Continentals rallied back in the second period. Keith Clark scored a power play goal at 1:34, with assists credited to Sean Brady and Joe Baudo to tie the score at three. They later took the lead at 14:36 when Rusty Feldman scored his second goal in as many days from Clark and Brady. The goal demonstrated solid overall team effort, as Brady hustled to get to the puck, worked it out and made a nice pass to Feldman, who was standing in front of the net. The Continentals took their 4-3 lead into the third period.

They held that lead for most of the third period, but the floodgates opened again at 13:29, when AIC scored three more unanswered goals to take the lead and the win, 6-4. This was despite the fact AIC did not have a shot in the first ten minutes and had nine for the period. After a second period in which he regained his poise, Brooks' third period was a recap of the first.

The real turning point seemed to come at 10:04 when Bob Simonds seemed to score to make it 5-3, but it was called off when the referee ruled that there was a player in the crease. The questionable call stifled any potential Hamilton surge.

Coach Phil Grady said that despite the results, "we had a real good effort." He cited the fact that the Continentals had more quality chances throughout both games. He felt, particularly against AIC, that "we didn't get as many goals as we should have."

Grady made major changes in the offensive lines for the AIC game, ones which he hoped would "give a few guys a wakeup call." Another factor in the changes is that Jeff Bradley hurt his shoulder in the Connecticut game and is day to day.

The first line now consists of Lloyd Polanish, Shawn Kelly and Brian Green. Green is leading the team with eight goals and eighteen points. Polanish is tied for second in goals with seven. Kelly also has seven goals and fourteen goals and is playing solid hockey.

The second of Doug Famigletti, Rusty Feldman and Sean Brady is a mixup of the top three lines from previous games. John Forbes, Keith Clark and Bob Simonds are on the third. Grady said that more changes may come about for this weekend's games.

This weekend, the Continentals take on the University of Massachusetts at Boston and Salem State. Grady looks for the team to come out stronger for these teams because of last weekend's events.

"We never lose two games in a row at the sage," Garday said. "We need to get back on track."

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SpectatorSports

February 4, 1994

Thompson's men set new standard of swimming excellence

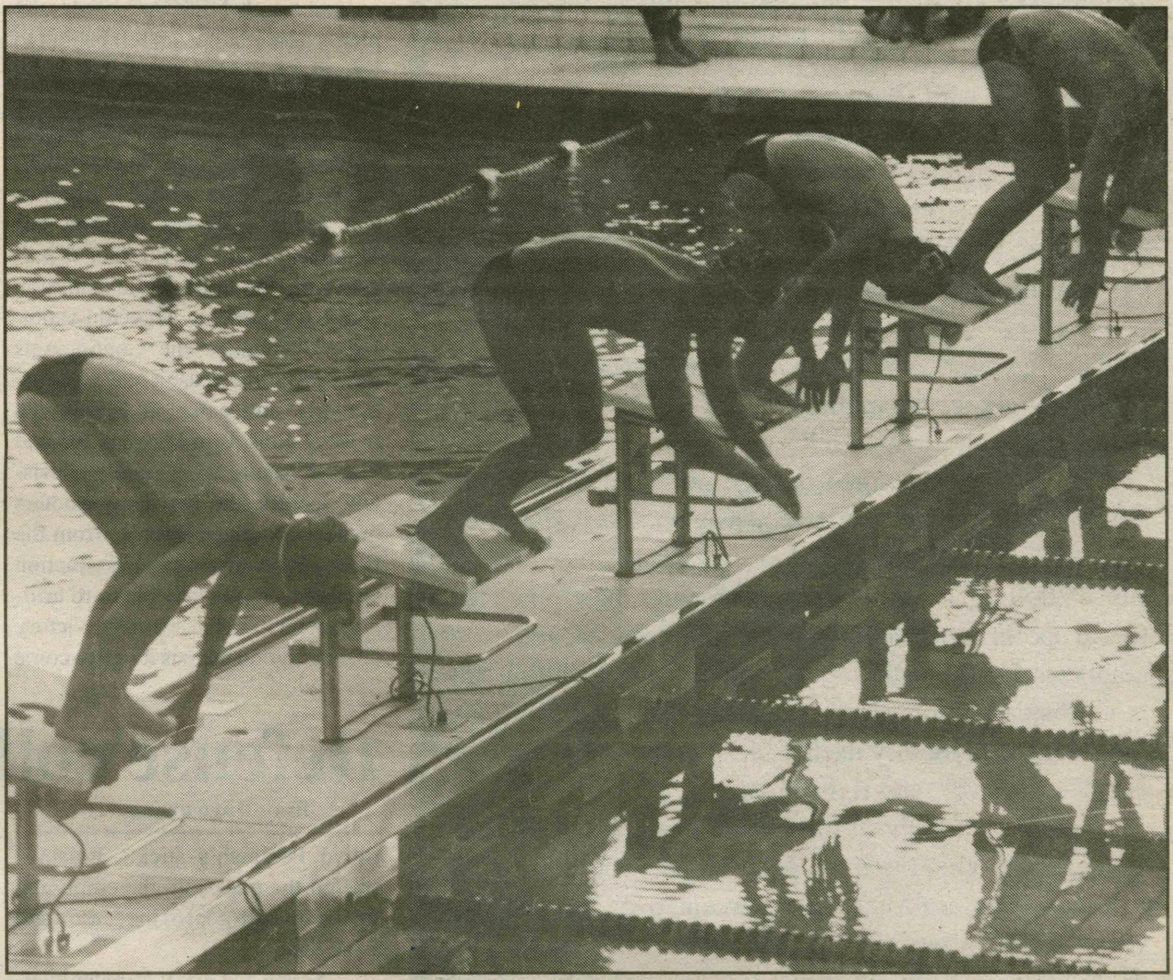
By Ben Fox '96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Perhaps one of the most unsung teams of the winter sports season has been the Hamilton swimming team. After a hard fall and a strengthening/ training trip to Florida during the holiday break, the squad is readily preparing for the state meets at R.P.I. (for women) and at Union (for men). Just this past weekend both the men and women's teams traveled to Union for yet another hard fought meet. As in meets past, there were many in-season bests and a few lifetime bests from both the men and the women. Eric Haberlick '97, Josh Blum '97, Adam Hempling '97, and Ryan Cooney '97, all of whom shaved for the meet, had superb times in the freestyle, backstroke, butterfly, and freestyle respectively. They will end their long season this Saturday at Vassar, the last dual meet of the year, with the enthusiastic backing of the rest of the squad.

Every year brings new faces to the team and greater possibilities for success at the state meet. This year has followed accordingly, with the squads increasing almost two-fold, preparing both men and women's teams for serious runs at the state title. Roughly sixteen to twenty teams from all around New York will compete in the three day competition, which is not only physically demanding, but also mentally draining. Coach Thompson has prepared the squads for both formable challenges, and his coaching prowess undoubtedly will leave the Continentals ready to swim their best at crunch time. The women, who have either had too little or too much competition throughout the year, will have a chance to display their hard work and strong will despite some disappointing past meets. Many of the returning women have already shown signs of greatness, especially Patricia Wojik '94 in the breaststroke and Elizabeth Sichol '96 in long distance freestyle. Diving remains a strong point for the Hamilton women, with Megan Hughes '94 anchoring a corps of talented athletes, some of which aspire to place in the top ten at states.

The men's team has had a quiet, yet very productive and successful season. With so many outstanding swimmers and divers, the squad enters the state meet undefeated for the first time under Coach Thompson, and the first perfect campaign in almost twenty years for swimmers on the hill. Aspirations center on a top three finish, if not second or even first place. Coach Thompson has smartly led this years team to great heights already, and everyone is expecting a terrific state meet, and an improvement on last year's third place finish overall.

After the Vassar meet this Saturday, the Continentals return home to prepare for states. The razors will be out, and the heads, and bodies, will be cleanly shaven in preperation for the apex of the season.



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The Hamilton men and women's swimming teams warm up for the state meet this weekend against perennial pushover Vassar.

Not enough rage in the Sage for Continentals

By Jim D'Aleo '95
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Hamilton Continentals have reached the part of the season where every game is important to their playoff chances. Their opponents last weekend, the University of Connecticut and AIC, represented teams they had to overcome in order to rank well in the conference playoffs hopes. Unfortunately, between the loss of Eric Roberts and the post-Winter Break blahs, the Continentals dropped both home games to bring their current losing streak to three games.

Friday night, the University of Connecticut Huskies came into the Sage. The last time these two teams met was last season during the quarterfinals of the ECAC playoffs. The result and the margin of victory were the same, with UConn coming up on top 4-2.

The Huskies came out playing the Continentals' brand of hockey; a lot of hard hitting. The Huskies got on the board at 4:56 when Ryan Equale put in a power play goal off of a rebound. The Continentals tied it up with 55 seconds left in the first period when Rusty Feldman scored his first goal of the season on what was one of the weirdest angle shots of the season. Feldman took his shot perpendicular to goaltender Doug Michals. Michals looked like he caught the puck, but flipped it back into the net.

UConn scored two goals by 1:09 of the second. They seemed to come out strong, while the Continentals, who played a strong first period, looked flat. At 12:12, the Continentals cut the deficit to one when Sean Brady scored a power play goal, with an assist to Brian Green. Green took a massive shot, which Brady was able to tip in for the score. The Continentals were not able to complete the comeback, however, as the Huskies scored a goal a minute and a half later. Hamilton made an effort in the third period, but was never able to get back on the board. The final score was 4-2. Kendall Brook got the loss, but played a strong game, making 22 of 26 saves.

The next afternoon, the Continentals faced off against American International College. The game got off to a strange beginning, as the Continentals scored nine seconds into play. Off the face off, the puck bounced off the boards to the right of AIC goaltender Shawn Arcidiacono. Arcidiacono came out to get the puck, but somehow couldn't find it. The puck skirted out past Arcidiacono right in front of the net and onto

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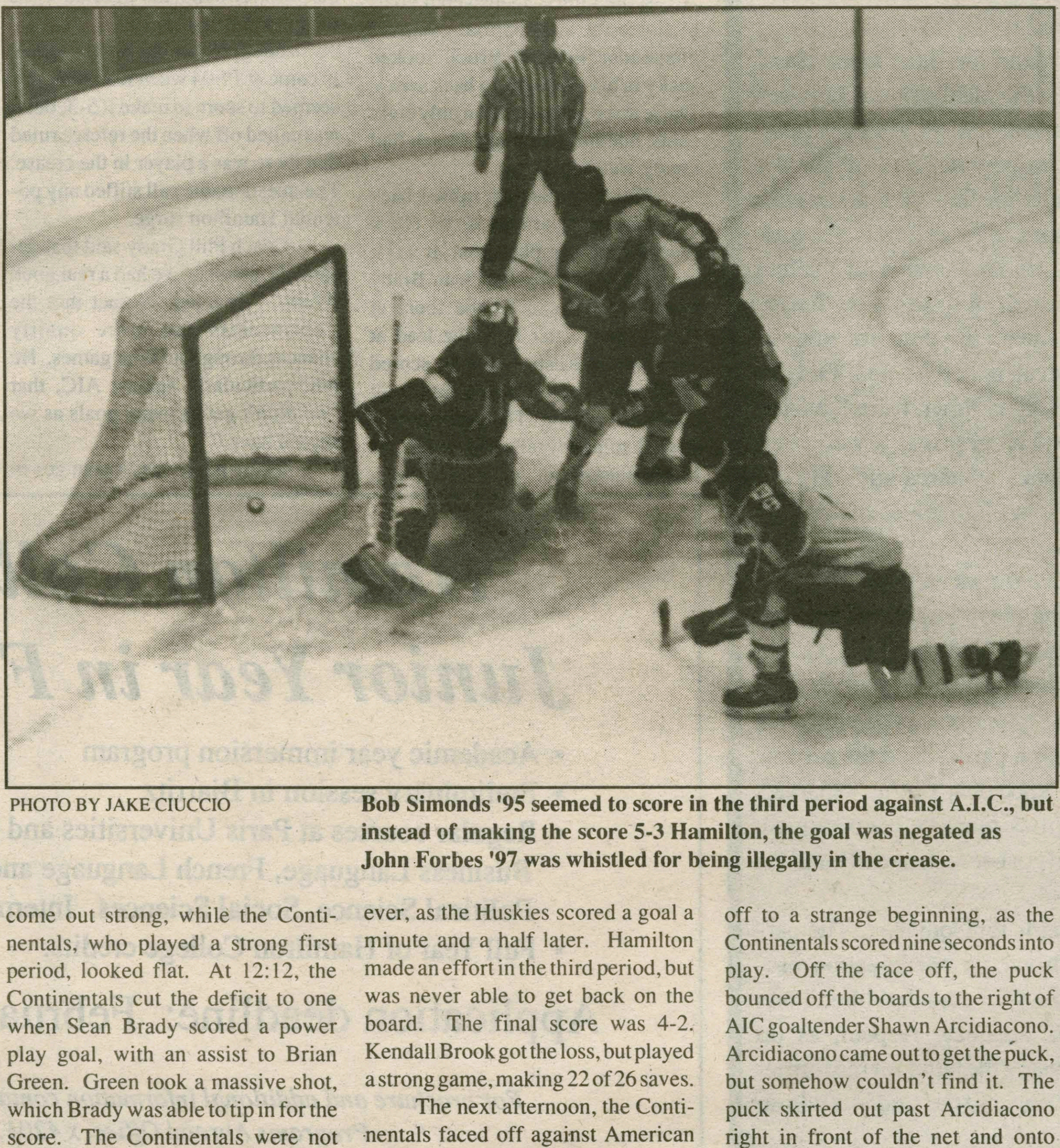

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Bob Simonds '95 seemed to score in the third period against A.I.C., but instead of making the score 5-3 Hamilton, the goal was negated as John Forbes '97 was whistled for being illegally in the crease.

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